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Abdullah discusses Mideast in Syria

DAMASCUS, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard met Syrian President Hafiz Assad here Sunday night on bilateral relations and the Palestinian question.

Prince Abdullah, who held similar talks with Jordan's King Hussein and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein arrived here Sunday on Amman on the last leg of a tour to the Arab countries. High-level Syrian civil military officials greeted the prince on his arrival at Damascus airport.

Prince Abdullah Sunday was quoted as saying that "specifications of ordered equipment defined by the importer, not the exporter." Prince Abdullah made the remarks to a Syrian newspaper Sunday in a reference to the proposed AWACS deal with the United States.

He told the Jordanian daily *Al-Dustour* that the Arab world is determined to hush the spies as specified by the Ministry of Defense. "Any suggestion (to modify the deal) is a wishful thinking," he added.

Asked if the Kingdom intended to buy the Nimrod aircraft, considered equal to the AWACS in performance and efficiency, in the AWACS deal is rejected, the prince said. "You and we have heard Crown Prince Fahd and British Foreign Secretary Lord Goring referring to this subject, the deal, however, is used to listening carefully to a friend."

On the Palestine issue, he said it continues as an axis of the Saudi Arabian policy, and he said the plan is a continuation of the kingdom's efforts to liberate Jerusalem and restore the Palestinian people's right to determination and to establish a state of law on the Palestinian soil. He said the kingdom welcomes any mission, European otherwise, that "realizes our strategic objectives." The reactions to the Kingdom's plan in Europe, especially in France, in West Germany, demonstrate a live spirit and an objective thinking on and justice, the prince added.

In reference to French President Francois Mitterrand's current visit to the Kingdom, Prince Abdullah said that relations between the Kingdom and Saudi Arabia are guided by equity and not by self-interest. The relations between the two countries derive their strength from justice and not from a willingness toward intransigence and aggression.

Prince Abdullah said the Kingdom's oil



TAIF SUMMIT: President Francois Mitterrand (left) leads the French delegation to the Taif summit talks Sunday with King Khalid (right). Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal (fourth from right) is seen talking to King Khalid.

Suspends technical help IAEA warns Israel

VIENNA, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — The International Atomic Energy Agency voted 51-8, with 27 abstentions, Saturday to consider suspending Israeli membership next year if Israel does not open its nuclear facilities to agency inspections.

The vote, taken in response to the Israeli bombing of the Iraqi nuclear research center in June, also suspended immediately all technical assistance to Israel under agency programs. The compromise resolution, which was submitted jointly by Algeria, Saudi Arabia and 16 other countries Friday, followed demands by Iraq earlier in the week-long agency conference that Israel be expelled because of the bombing.

Under the wording of the resolution, the agency will consider suspending Israel's membership at its general conference next September if Israel nuclear facilities are not opened to on-site agency inspections by then.

One conference source who requested anonymity termed the resolution an attempt by the delegates "to buy a year's time." The United States was the only Western nation to vote against the resolution. Other votes came largely from south American countries, including Chile, Bolivia and Paraguay.

Soviet Bloc countries voted in favor of the measure, while most West European nations abstained.

Chief Iraqi delegate Rahim Abed Al-Kital said his country remained unsatisfied by the agency's action and would continue to work for Israel's expulsion from the membership ranks. "We reserve the right to pursue this matter further," he told the assembled delegates. "The objection of the U.S. and a few other states will be viewed by Arab people as an act of bias in favor of an aggressor," he added.

The resolution described the Israeli raid on the Osirak research center as an act of aggression which struck also at the IAEA and its safeguards system. It called on agency

Reagan asks Carter's aid on AWACS

ATLANTA, Georgia Sept. 27 (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan has asked former President Jimmy Carter for help in persuading the Senate to approve the sale of AWACS radar warning planes to Saudi Arabia, a source close to Carter said.

The former president confirmed in an interview he has spoken by telephone with Reagan, but he refused to discuss details of the conversation or to confirm that Reagan sought his aid. The source said Reagan made the request in a telephone conversation with Carter last week. He said he did not know how Carter responded.

"I think I'll wait until later to comment on that," Carter told reporters at a reunion of the top figures of his administration.

"I've talked to him but I'd rather not discuss the conversation," Carter said. "As you know, the proposal has not been sent to the Congress yet, and I believe it would be better for me to wait until I see what the administration's proposal is before I make a comment on it."

Former cabinet officials, ex-campaign aides and a host of former White House officials joined Carter for a buffet dinner here. Talking to reporters, Carter said he has been cautious thus far in criticizing the Reagan administration, believing that the new president "should have a chance to put his whole program to the Congress and let the Congress make a judgment on it."

He said he believes "one of the most likely times for me to speak out strongly would be before the congressional elections in 1982."

"There is no doubt in my mind that this administration has made some very serious mistakes. I haven't had to comment on them because they've been obvious to the American people," Carter said.

'Identical views' reached, Saud says

TAIF, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal said that "identical viewpoints" on a number of issues concerning the Palestinian question were reached at the Saudi-Franco summit talks here Sunday.

The minister, who was speaking to the Saudi Press Agency after a two-and-a-half hour meeting between King Khalid and President Francois Mitterrand, said that the French president has made his position on the Palestinian question "clear."

"Identity of views was established on several issues though not on all of them," Prince Saud added. He expressed the hope that King Khalid and President Mitterrand "will have the opportunity to hold further consultations to bring their viewpoints closer over this basic (Palestinian) question."

Facing each other from across a long table and beneath crystal chandeliers and portraits of Saudi Arabian Kings, Khalid was flanked by Crown Prince Fahd on his right and Defense Minister Prince Sultan on his left.

Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal and the King's special adviser Rashad Pharon also were present. On the French side were Mitterrand and his Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson, Minister of State for Trade Michel Jobert, as well as the ministers of education, research and technology.

President Mitterrand and King Khalid discussed at length the reasons for the Soviet Afghan incursion, as well as the eight-point Mideast peace plan proposed last month by Crown Prince Fahd.

The gist of Sunday's talks focused more on world problems than on Franco-Saudi relations, which were to be dealt with separately

Mahmoud Riad passes away

BELGRADE, Sept. 27 (R) — Mahmoud Riad, a former Egyptian foreign minister and secretary general of the Arab League from 1972 to 1979, died Sunday at a hospital in Ljubljana, northwest Yugoslavia, after a long illness, officials said. He was 64. They did not give the cause of death, but said he had been under treatment at the hospital for several months.

Riad, the third man to serve as the league's secretary general since its foundation in 1945, resigned from the post on April 1, 1979, through Arab differences over the peace treaty between his country and Israel.

Riad, himself a critic of the treaty, said in his letter of resignation he felt "joint Arab action is lacking and thus making it difficult to handle my job."

His resignation followed a decision by Arab foreign ministers meeting in Baghdad to remove temporarily the League's headquarters from Cairo to Tunis as part of a total



Mahmoud Riad

Israel postpones West Bank plan

TEL AVIV, Sept. 27 (AP) — The Israeli cabinet Sunday began discussing a new plan for reorganizing its occupation West Bank of Jordan and the Gaza Strip, but postponed a decision for at least a week.

Defense Minister Ariel Sharon said after a cabinet meeting that the proposal won full backing from Prime Minister Menachem Begin but ministers asked to study details of the plan.

Sharon refused to outline the proposed plan. The defense ministry, responsible for occupied territories, says the plan calls for a civilian authority — including Palestinian senior posts — to replace the 14,000 military government in managing day-to-day affairs of the 1.5 million Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza.

The Israeli army would retain responsibility for security, and the civilian authority would remain under defense ministry supervision. The plan was presented last week to which is negotiating with Israel on its autonomy in these areas. Both sides said it was aimed at building trust with the Palestinians and coaxing them to join the autonomy talks.

Sharon said no opinions were voiced against the cabinet session.

Thatcher's Kuwait talks 'frank'

KUWAIT, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Sunday had "frank and constructive" talks with Kuwaiti leaders, Kuwaiti Foreign Secretary of State Rashed al Rashed said. Discussion covered the Middle-Eastern problem in general and in particular the Palestinian question, the Lebanese crisis and the situation in the Gulf, notably the Iran-Iraq war, he said.

Mrs. Thatcher met the ruler, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, then she and her delegation held talks with Kuwaiti ministers led by Crown Prince and Prime Minister Saad al Abdullah al Sabah. Rashed said Kuwait told the British that Israel should withdraw from all occupied territories including Jerusalem, and the Palestinian people should be guaranteed their rights, notably the right to create a homeland.

Al-Rashed quoted Thatcher as telling the ruler that "Britain no longer views the Palestinian question as one of refugees, he indicated that Thatcher regarded the Palestinians as a people with a 'right' to exist within a secure homeland."

"We explained to Mrs. Thatcher the objectives of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), and told her that we don't see any threats facing the region," said al-Rashed. "We also told her that Gulf people alone can defend the region."

The Gulf Cooperation Council — of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates,

West rejects plea to hike IMF funds

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — The leading industrial nations broadly sided with the United States on issues of Third World concern that will figure prominently in the debates of next week's International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank meeting here.

They implicitly rejected calls by the developing countries for a further early increase in IMF resources to pave the way for more IMF assistance to countries faced with balance of payments problems.

Developing countries have called for creation of more Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) — the IMF's paper reserve assets — for distribution to member countries to bolster their reserves.

They have also urged that IMF quotas — the "shares" subscribed by each member country which determines the size of drawings they can make from the fund — should be raised as soon as possible in line with the growth in world trade and payments.

Meeting briefly Saturday before the start of a two-day session of the IMF interim committee, the fund's top policy-making body, finance ministers and central bank governors of the leading financial powers, known as the "Group of ten," voiced "doubts" that "a convincing case could be made at this time" for a new allocation of SDRs "on grounds of international liquidity needs."

The developing countries had sought a \$13.8 billion increase in the number of SDRs in circulation, saying they needed assistance to weather the current world recession and meet huge debts brought on by costly oil imports and high interest rates.

Philippines Prime Minister Cesar Virata, one of their spokesmen, greeted the rejection by the industrial countries stoically. "We will keep on trying to do what we can," he said.

While leaders from the industrial countries — Britain, West Germany, Japan, France, Italy, Canada, Sweden, Belgium, the Netherlands and the United States — had one voice in public, U.S. and Canadian sources said there had been some dissension in private meetings.

Hijackers held; hostages escape

LARNACA AIRPORT, Cyprus, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — The three Yugoslav hijackers who surrendered here Sunday after the 107 passengers and crew held hostage by them had staged a mass escape from the hijacked Yugoslav airliner were handed over to Yugoslav authorities and left for Belgrade.

The three hijackers were brought to the airport from the Larnaca town police headquarters, where they were held for about eight hours following their surrender, handcuffed and under strong armed police escort.

They were driven straight to the Boeing 727 they had forced to land here at dawn, a few hours after they hijacked it Saturday night minutes after it had taken off from Dubrovnik on a domestic Yugoslav flight. The Boeing took off within minutes with a fresh crew, after the three hijackers were banded over to a seven-man official Yugoslav delegation that arrived here on another Yugoslav airliner.

Cypriot authorities said they did not know whether there were any armed Yugoslav guards on the flight taking the hijackers back. The DC-9 jet that brought the official delegation had taken off a few minutes earlier with the 98 passengers and nine crewmen aboard the hijacked plane who managed to outwit their captors and escape.

Cyprus government sources said the three hijackers, who said they were Croats, asked for political asylum after their surrender, but it was rejected. The bizarre hijack drama ended less than 12 hours after the Yugoslav airliner landed here at dawn.

The hijackers whom police said were only armed with one pistol and a knife, surrendered minutes after their hostages managed to escape from the plane about two hours after it landed.

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Medina incident clarified

Interior Ministry refutes Iranian allegations

TAIF, Sept. 27 (SPA) — The Interior Ministry Saturday denied Iranian newspaper allegations that Iranian pilgrims were treated harshly this year in Saudi Arabia and said that a few Iranians were arrested at the Prophet's mosque in Medina last Tuesday after chanting Allah is great, Khomeini-Khomeini and provoking and beating six policemen.

Following is the full text of the Foreign Ministry statement issued Saturday night: "Some radio broadcasts and news agencies

quoted Tehran radio to the effect that some Iranians had been hospitalized after being beaten inside the Prophets' mosque. The Iranians were allegedly protesting the arrest of two of them who were kissing the tomb of the Holy Prophet. It was said that the arrest of the two men had irritated the rest of Iranian pilgrims and pushed them to gather inside the mosque and chant "Allahu Akbar" (God is Great).

Majed to dedicate Pakistani school

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Sept. 27 — Makkah Governor Prince Majed will lay the foundation stone of the Pakistan Embassy School at its new site in Jeddah Wednesday, according to an embassy source Sunday.

The school to be constructed on a plot donated by Jeddah Municipality at Sabein Street, will be one of the largest educational institutions run by a Pakistani diplomatic mission abroad.

It will accommodate nearly 5,000 students and have all the modern educational facilities including an auditorium, gymnasium, science laboratories and library.

Filipino pilgrims group due Sept. 29

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Sept. 27 — Three high-ranking officials of the Philippine government will arrive here Sept. 29 at the head of a group of 264 Muslim pilgrims on a chartered flight of the Philippine Airlines.

Embassy sources said that the officials are Islamic Affairs Director General Romulo

The project is estimated to cost about SR20 million. Funds for the construction are to be raised by levy of a 10 percent surcharge on all the consular jobs undertaken by the embassy, increases in existing school fees and voluntary donations.

The project is to be completed in a year's time from the date of the beginning of construction. The school was set up in 1955.

Presently, it has 4,000 students in two separate buildings, one donated by Sheikh Sharbatli and the other rented one. It offers educational courses to the students and science subjects. The school runs separate shifts for boy and girl students.

said that the minister of Islamic guidance sent a cable to his Saudi Arabian counterpart expressing his regret over the incident and protesting the measures taken against Iranians. The minister went to say that the incident came at a time when the press published other reports about the ill treatment of Iranian pilgrims this year.

"According to Reuters, Iranian newspapers had said that Saudi Arabian customs officials had sent away some of the Iranian pilgrims when they tried to enter the country, charging them with propaganda attempts in favor of the Iranian revolution and because they were bearing Khomeini's pictures.

"The Tehran daily Kayhan also said that the authorities here were searching Iranian pilgrims before they entered the Prophet's mosque. Likewise, the Iranian minister said that the Saudi Arabian authorities, who did not comment publicly on the incident, were taking stringent security measures against Iranians going to the pilgrimage.

In the interest of truth, the Interior Ministry would like to explain the following:

"At 01.20 a.m. on the night from Sept. 23, 1981, a group of Iranian pilgrims was at the mosque. They had with them an Iranian Sheikh. They were chanting Allahu Akbar, Khomeini-Khomeini in a loud and disturbing voice and in a way that was inconsistent with the sanctity of the holy shrine. As their deeds inside the mosque and near the place where the Prophet is buried were neither congruent nor acceptable in view of the holiness of the shrine, one of the soldiers discharging their duty at the mosque made a remark to them in a gentle manner. He asked them to lower their voices as it was already late at night in order not to disturb other pilgrims who came to pray. But they refused to do so, and when he tried to explain the matter further to them

they surrounded him and some of them assaulted him.

"When the other soldiers who were no more than five in number noticed this, they rushed to the place where a crowd had formed to know what was happening. When they got there and saw their colleagues being beaten up they tried to rescue him and disperse the crowd. Suddenly, the Iranian pilgrims attacked the five soldiers along with their colleague and caused them injuries.

"The crowd was dispersed immediately and the situation was brought under control. But during the clash between the pilgrims and the soldiers, the six soldiers and four of the Iranians received various injuries as a result of the fight which the latter had created. They then withdrew to their places of residence. Some of those Iranians who committed the aggression and beat up the soldiers were arrested and an investigation was started with them to know the motive behind their act. That is all that happened.

"While explaining this to the public, the Interior Ministry would like to reaffirm its determination and resolve to do what is expected of it to serve the pilgrims of all nationalities without discrimination whatsoever.

"Broadcast and press reports claiming that the Saudi Arabian government is treating Iranians harshly and differently, are absolutely unfounded, as this would not be in line with the principles of Saudi Arabia that compel it to respect everybody.

"Regarding press reports that some Iranians had been sent back by customs officials when they tried to make propaganda for the Iranian revolution and because they carried Khomeini pictures, the ministry would like to draw attention to the fact that the government of King Khaled had already announced

and informed its diplomatic missions abroad as well as foreign missions in the Kingdom, a long time before the pilgrimage season, that the pilgrimage is a season for worship and veneration of God and that all incoming pilgrims of various nationalities must not exploit the pilgrimage season for any propaganda, political or intellectual activity. It also drew their attention that it is strictly forbidden to bring in any books, pamphlets or pictures and that if any such material is found on any person, that person would be turned away.

"If the authorities concerned have turned back a few persons who contravened the instructions, they did so within the framework of their national responsibility and as a service to the pilgrims to enable them perform their religious duty with calm and reassurance. As for what was said to the effect that Iranian pilgrims were searched before entering the Prophet mosque, this happened only with those with whom some of

the banned items which must not enter the mosque had been found. And that ban is not a selective one but applies on all pilgrims.

"The excesses on the part of certain Iranian pilgrims, especially this year, are indeed something regrettable and painful for the officials serving the pilgrims because they are compelled to adopt certain measures, to check such infringements on the part of pilgrims and control their attitude. But everybody should know that the government will spare no effort to ensure the proper climate for the pilgrims of all nationalities without any discrimination. Nevertheless, anyone violating the instructions or creating trouble for one reason or another will get what he deserves. Therefore, the government appeals to all pilgrims and hopes that they will devote themselves to God during these blessed days, assess their own conscience, pray, worship and ask for His blessings and mercy. The pilgrimage is a dear and valuable occasion that every pilgrim must seize when he comes to this holy country after spending all that he can and surmounting all obstacles to ask for God's compassion and mercy in front of the Holy Kaaba. We pray to God to guide everyone toward goodness and welfare. It is God Who illuminates our way."

Prayer Times

Monday	Makkah	Medina	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
Fajr (Dawn)	4:46	4:47	4:19	4:06	4:30	5:00
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:11	12:12	11:44	11:30	11:55	12:24
Asr (Afternoon)	3:36	3:37	3:08	2:55	3:20	3:49
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:13	6:13	5:54	5:31	5:55	6:25
Isha (Night)	7:43	7:43	7:14	7:01	7:25	7:55

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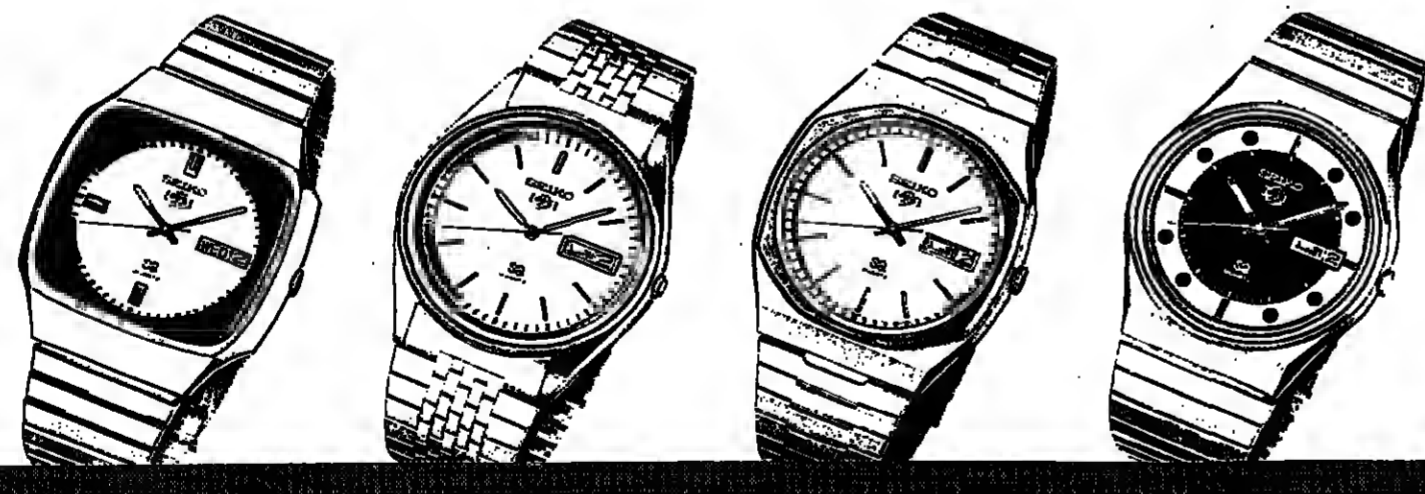
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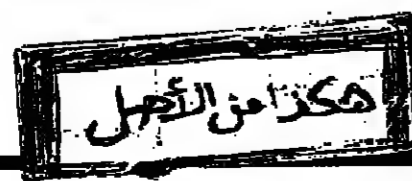
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French ministers agree to provide technical help

TAIF, Sept. 27 (SPA) — French ministers accompanying President Mitterrand on his current official visit to the Kingdom have expressed their readiness to cooperate with their Saudi Arabian counterparts and transfer technological expertise to the country. This was revealed in talks that the ministers had with each other during separate meetings on Sunday. The first meeting of this kind was held between French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson and Prince Saud Al-Faisal. Following the meeting, which was also attended by the Kingdom's Ambassador to France Sheikh Jameel Al-Hegelan, Prince said he reviewed with his French counterpart the international situation in general, Franco-Saudi Arabian cooperation in various fields and issues of mutual interest led by the Middle East issue. He said his two-hour meeting with Cheysson was "constructive and wide-ranging".

Alireza discusses ties with envoys

JEDDAH, Sept. 27 (SPA) — Deputy Foreign Minister for Economic Affairs Sheikh Abdullah Alireza met separately on Sunday with envoys of the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Qatar and the Bahraini Foreign Affairs to discuss the Kingdom's bilateral relations and issues of mutual interest between the Kingdom and those countries. The issues on the agenda of North-South dialogue during the forthcoming economic summit conference in Cancun (Mexico) next October were also covered during the meetings with the envoys.

with the French minister cooperation between the two countries in the field of technology and scientific research.

Al-Gosaibi disclosed that Chevenment has expressed his government's readiness to cooperate with the Kingdom in technology, scientific research and transfer of French expertise to boost development plans here. He said a French scientific delegation is expected to arrive here in November to discuss the prospects of French contributions to the growth of scientific research in the Kingdom.

Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman A. Solaim also held a separate meeting with French Minister of Foreign Trade Michel Jobert on developing trade and commercial ties between France and Saudi Arabia. They reviewed the possibility of further expanding the trade volume between the two countries. Sheikh Hussein Mansouri, minister of communications and acting minister of information, and Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, minister of posts, telegraph and telephones, jointly held a meeting with Louis Mexandeau, French minister of posts and telegraph.

Plan secures water needs for pilgrims

JEDDAH, Sept. 27 (SPA) — The Western Region Water and Sewage Department has adopted an integrated plan to provide all water requirements for pilgrims during the pilgrimage season, the department's Director General Fahd Hamad Al-Sulaiman said Sunday.

The plan will be submitted to the Interior Minister Prince Naif, chairman of the supreme pilgrimage committee, Wednesday for approval. Sulaiman urged the public to economize on water consumption and use it in a reasonable way.

In other developments related to the pilgrimage preparations, the general secretariat of Islamic guidance in the pilgrimage and Makkah municipality are coordinating to determine places where illuminated boards in six languages are to be placed at the Jamarat area to guide pilgrims.

General Secretary Sheikh Jaber Al-Madkhali, said Sunday the boards will contain the guidelines on how to throw stones at the satan's symbol, and the timings and principles of performing the pilgrimage rites during the days which precede Arafat. The boards also will include a map showing access to the Jamarat, symbolic of satan.

The boards will contribute in guiding a large number of pilgrims since they are located at place of congregation. The information displayed will be of two types, one before the Arafat day and the other after Arafat. The boards will guide pilgrims on religious rites before the Eid day, while the latter gives information on activities after the Arafat and other useful topics to pilgrims.

Saudia opens new office

By a Staff Writer
ALKHOBAR, Sept. 27 — Saudia's 11th ticketing and reservations office in the Eastern Province opened Saturday in Qatif. Abdul Rahman Al-Muqbil, general manager for Saudia Eastern Province, said the office's telephone numbers are 855-3333, 855-4114, 855-5225, and 855-5555. The office supervisor's number is 855-0404.

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IDB team departs for IMF talks

JEDDAH, Sept. 27 (SPA) — A delegation of the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) led by its President Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali left here Saturday for Washington to attend the joint meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank for Reconstruction and Development which opened in the American capital Sunday.

The IDB delegation is expected to hold talks with delegates from the Islamic countries, participating in the meetings of the IMF and the World Bank. The deliberations with

the Islamic delegates will concentrate on development projects financed by the IDB.

The IDB delegation also will meet various delegations of international financial organizations to coordinate joint financing operations in IDB member states.

The Kingdom's delegation to the IMF-World Bank meetings is led by Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Abu Al-Khalil. It includes Saudi Arabian Monetary Fund Governor Sheikh Abdul-Aziz Al-Quraishi.

Assaf concludes North Yemen visit

JEDDAH, Sept. 27 (SPA) — Civil Aviation President Sheikh Nasser Al-Assaf returned here Sunday from Sanaa where he concluded a three-day visit. He had attended the commemorative 'plaque unveiling' cere-

mony for Sanaa international airport expansion project by President Ali Abdullah Saleh.

The project is financed by the Kingdom and comes in the context of the 'constructive' cooperation between the two countries.

MWL organizes legislation parley

MAKKAH, Sept. 27 (SPA) — A four-day seminar organized by the Muslim World League about the two sources of Islamic legislation, the Holy Quran and the Sunnah (the Prophet's Tradition) will be opened here next Tuesday.

MWL Secretary General Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan said that high on the agenda will be the effect of the translation of the meanings of the Quran on the propagation of the Islamic call. The seminar will be attended by religious scholars from various parts of the Islamic world who will work in several committees.

Sheikh Muhammad noted that Makkah Municipality, this year, financed the printing of one million copies of the Holy Book.

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Security tightened

5 die in Tehran street battles

TEHRAN, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — Strict security measures were taken around government offices, parliament and the presidency in Tehran after three hours of violent anti-Khomeini demonstrations early Sunday which left at least five dead, sources reported.

The main road leading to parliament was closed off, and the building itself was surrounded by armed revolutionary guards entrenched behind sandbags, an eyewitness told Agence France-Presse. Reinforcements were seen around the presidency and the prime minister's office, and large numbers of military vehicles filled with armed revolutionary guards were observed circulating in the capital.

No clashes were reported in the area, but witnesses said heavy shooting was heard in other parts of Tehran, mainly on Ferdhossi and Amirabad Avenues. In earlier fighting Sunday, at least four persons were shot dead and one was killed by a grenade after demonstrators believed to be members of the outlawed Mujahedeen organization marched up Tehran's central avenue chanting slogans hostile to Ayatollah Khomeini.

The armed demonstrators reportedly set fire to seven buses, broke the windows and slashed the tires of a unified revolutionary guard vehicle, and burned tires spread nut on the streets. Revolutionary guards blocked off whole city blocks searching for Mujahedeen and frisked all pedestrians. Ambulances raced through the city with blaring sirens as about 100 pro-Khomeini Hezbollahis launched a counter-demonstration in the center of Tehran. After three hours, the situation was reported to be calm.

The bodies of the killed rebels were taken from Enghelab Avenue in a van, eyewitnesses said. An ambulance and a car carrying six armed men sped away from the scene of the

shooting as gunfire continued in two adjacent streets blocked by the burning buses. By mid-morning, the gunfire in Enghelab Avenue ceased and a thick plume of smoke rose from the burning buses.

Later accounts said revolutionary guards exchanged gunfire with opponents sheltering in buildings on Taleghani Avenue, which runs parallel to the Enghelab Avenue. A fifth corpse, mutilated by a grenade blast, lay in a sidestreet and at nearby Vali-Asr Avenue. An official car of a revolutionary committee had its window smashed and tires punctured by demonstrators. As shooting continued in central Tehran, eyewitnesses said another five ambulances raced through the capital sounding their sirens, and about 100 Hezbollahis began a counterdemonstration.

Intense exchanges of gunfire were continuing between the revolutionary guards on Taleghani Avenue and the Mujahedeen, who were apparently hiding in nearby buildings, eyewitnesses reported. Revolutionary committees were blocking off Vali-Asr Avenue and all adjoining side streets, and phalanxes of revolutionary guards were searching all pedestrians. Shop owners had put down their iron shutters.

Islamic Republic reported Sunday that eight persons died in armed clashes in Tehran Saturday. The newspaper of Iran's ruling Islamic Party said five of the dead were revolutionary guards. It said three revolutionary guards were killed by a commando of "armed terrorists" who fired on them while they were writing wall slogans for Hojatoleslam Ali Khamenei, one of the candidates in Iran's forthcoming presidential election. Two of the attackers died and five were wounded in a chase following the attack.

Two revolutionary guards were killed in a

separate shooting by attackers who were subsequently arrested. Two other government opponents, were injured Saturday and a woman passer-by died in a hail of shots fired by two men in a car, Islamic Republic said.

Speaking during a prayer meeting, revolutionary prosecutor Hojatoleslam Syed Mussavi Tabrizi said, the accused killers of several religious leaders were among a large number of Iranians arrested and executed last week.

Speaking in the eastern Azerbaijan city, the prosecutor however denied allegations that children were among those killed. He said that among those arrested were "those responsible for the plot" against Republic Party secretary general Hojatoleslam Ali Khamenei, Ayatollah Rabani Shirazi and Supreme Court Chief Ayatollah Mussavi Ardebili.

Hojatoleslam Khamenei, a candidate in the current presidential campaign, was wounded June 27 in the explosion of a booby-trapped tape recorder. The prosecutor, quoted by the newspaper *Keyhan*, added that others arrested in the same week included the "assassin" of former Tabriz Imam Ayatollah Ghazi Tabatabai and the attackers of a revolutionary guard headquarters. Hojatoleslam Tabrizi said that some of those arrested had already been executed, and some had still to be tried.

In another development Iranian Energy Minister Manuchehr Ghafuri, one of five candidates in the Oct. 2 presidential elections, urged Iranians to vote "not for me," but for one of his opponents, Hnjatoleslam Ali Khamenei. In a television address, Ghafuri described Khamenei as "the most qualified candidate, the great descendant of the Prophet, a man of prayer and of war... a living martyr" who lost the use of his right hand in the explosion of a booby-tapped tape recorder June 28.

Khamenei, he noted, is Ayatollah Khomeini's representative on the Supreme Defense Council. Khamenei and Ghafuri are, like two of the three other candidates, members of the IRP central committee.

In second crackdown

Sadat threatens arrest of 7,000

CAIRO, Sept. 27 (AFP) — President Anwar Sadat Saturday delivered a firm message to Egyptian students returning to school to "refrain from all political activity inside the university." "I want no more political meetings in the amphitheaters, no more interruption of courses, no more attacks on the professional staff and no more insolent wall posters," he said.

The president made the comments during a meeting of the National Democratic Party, which he founded, in the Nile Delta city of Mansura, as most students returned peacefully to universities Saturday.

Sadat warned opposition groups in the universities to "return to reason". He said he "only had their chiefs arrested" in the recent crackdown. But he added that he "still had lists of 7,000 others and that there would be "no time to lose" in a second crackdown.

Meanwhile, Egypt's Press Syndicate Council has suspended the membership of Lutfi Kholi, a left-wing journalist who

escaped arrest earlier this month by being abroad, syndicate officials said. They said Kholi's place on the council had been frozen because his recent statements to the foreign press were "an insult to Egypt's constitutional and legitimate leadership."

Kholi, a prominent member of the opposition Unionist Progressive Party and former editor of the now-defunct left-wing periodical *Al-Talia* (the vanguard), was one of eight persons, accused by Sadat of collaborating with the Soviet Union, in a plot to undermine the Egyptian government.

Inaugurating a fertilizer complex, Sadat said that the only solution for the Lebanese crisis would be the withdrawal of Syrian forces from Lebanon. He also pledged to continue efforts to regain Palestinian self-rule on the West Bank and Gaza Strip as a first step toward self-determination. Egypt and Israel resumed talks on Palestinian autonomy Wednesday but have failed to resolve their differences over what kind of self-rule to offer. They will meet five times in the next four months.

Arabs, Muslims to coordinate Israel boycott

DAMASCUS, Sept. 27 (R) — Arab and Islamic offices supervising an economic boycott of Israel announced Saturday they had agreed to cooperate closely. Their statement followed two days of talks between the Commissioner General of the Boycott of Israel Offices and the director of the Jeddah-based Islamic regional boycott offices.

The agreement provides for the exchange of information about firms trading with Israel for circulation to Islamic states. Both offices supervise a blacklist system against companies trading with Israel.

Court rejects Israeli order on West Bank

TEL AVIV, Sept. 27 (AFP) — The Israeli Supreme Court Sunday overturned an Israeli military government order requiring some residents of the northern West Bank town of El Bireh to report attacks on military vehicles.

These orders are "arbitrary and contrary to the military legislation in effect in the occupied territories," the court ruled. "They must therefore be rescinded immediately." The El Bireh military governor July 26 ordered residents of the town's Isikial Street, which is near the Jabal El Tawil Military Camp, to watch for any attacks on military vehicles parked in the street, and to report any youths throwing stones at them.

The residents objected to the order, and hired a lawyer, Felicia Langer, to file suit in the supreme court.

Massive search by Iraq for Turkish drivers

ANKARA, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Iraqi troops, backed by helicopter units, launched a massive search operation for 15 Turkish truck drivers taken hostage by "a group of unidentified armed Iraqis," in the north of the country, Turkish radio reported Sunday.

A convoy of 15 Turkish International Transport (TIR) trucks was attacked by the unidentified gunmen last Thursday during a refueling stop 33 kms from the Turkish-Iraqi border, according to the foreign ministry in Ankara.

Reports from different sources said between one and four drivers were killed and seven others injured in the attack, and that the gunmen set fire to several vehicles. The trucks were delivering cement, food and livestock to the northern Iraqi city of Mossul when they were attacked.

BRIEFS

MOGADISHU, (AFP) — Somalia said Sunday that Ethiopian troops shelled and rocketed three Somali border villages, Friday killing and wounding a "considerable number" of people and causing damage. Damages included destruction of government and public-owned houses as well as farms, the statement said.

BELGRADE, (AFP) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi arrived here Sunday from Bucharest for a "brief friendship visit," Tanjug news agency reported. He was met by Yugoslav leader Sergej Krajiger.

TEL AVIV, (R) — An Israeli military court has sentenced seven Palestinian students from Hebron, on the West Bank, to prison terms of six months to one year and fines up to \$230 for belonging to the Islamic movement, a security forces spokesman said.

'Making steady progress' India, Bangladesh hold talks in U.N. to heal rift

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 27 (AP) — Diplomatic sources said Saturday that talks were proceeding satisfactorily toward a solution of border problems between Bangladesh and India following talks in New York between their two foreign ministers.

The informants, who asked not to be identified, said Muhammad Shamsul Haq of Bangladesh and Narasimha Rao of India, here to attend the United Nations General Assembly session, had met repeatedly over the last ten days to continue talks initiated when Shamsul Haq visited New Delhi in the first week in September. Haq left New York Saturday for a Commonwealth heads of government meeting in Melbourne, Australia, Rao remained in New York.

The problems between the two countries concern their mutual boundaries, both on land and off-shore, and the New Moore Island.

Meanwhile, in New Delhi, India Saturday

refuted a Bangladesh charge that Indian border troops had made a foray into Bangladesh and killed at least 18 persons. "There is no truth in the report that any Indian security personnel were involved in any violence mentioned in the report," a government spokesman said.

Radio Bangladesh broadcast the charge and said Bangladesh had protested to the Indian high commission in Dacca, the United News of India reported.

The Bangladesh charge came amid reports of an exodus of thousands of tribal people from Bangladesh into northeast India's Tripura state. They crossed over "apparently as a result of disturbances and governmental activities on the Bangladesh side of the border," the Indian spokesman said. India is in touch with Bangladesh authorities trying to stem the tide "but so far they have not responded," the spokesman said.

PPP disclaims bomb attack

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — The Pakistan People's Party was not responsible for the murder Friday of Chaudhry Zahur Elahi, a former minister and opponent of ex-Premier Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, senior PPP sources said here Saturday.

Elahi, an outspoken politician during the previous PPP regime led by Bhutto, was buried Saturday in his home town of Gujrat as thousands of grim-faced people thronged the graveyard. The police meanwhile were still seeking the lone gunman who reportedly sprayed machinegun fire at Elahi's car, killing the ex-minister and his driver and wounding retired Lahore High Court Judge Mushtaq Hussain, who sentenced Bhutto to death in March, 1979.

However, the car used by the unidentified attacker has been impounded from a locality near the site of ambush in Lahore, police said, adding that several people have been questioned in connection with the shooting.

No prominent PPP leaders attended the funeral at Gujrat, but party sources in Karachi said they had "absolutely no know-

ledge about the assassin. They did not comment on a foreign radio broadcast that the late premier's son Mir Murtaza Bhutto, who heads an extremist group of exiled Pakistanis in Kabul, has claimed that his organization was responsible for the ambush.

Meanwhile, the Karachi daily *Hurriyat* Saturday reported that an unknown caller had said that a secret group identified as "Black Cat" was responsible for the attack.

Meanwhile, the British Broadcasting Corporation's correspondent in New Delhi, Mark Tully, told Reuters Sunday Murtaza telephoned him Saturday to say that his Al Zulfikar group was responsible for the attack.

Al Zulfikar is a Kabul-based group which also claimed responsibility for the hijacking of a Pakistani airliner to Kabul last March. Murtaza was quoted as saying that two persons Dr. Mussadiq and Iqbal — carried out the attack. He said the attack had been planned because of the role Elahi and Hussain, a former chief justice of the Lahore High Court, played in the execution of his father.

'Afghan refugees anxious to return'

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 27 (R) — Poul Hartling, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, has said that all of the 2.3 million Afghan refugees in Pakistan wanted to return home when conditions were different.

Hartling said in Islamabad that during a just-concluded six-day tour of Afghan refugee camps in Pakistan, he found the refugees unanimous in wanting to go home "with honor." "Many said that one of their conditions was that foreign troops should be withdrawn," Hartling said. About 85,000 Soviet troops have been stationed in

Afghanistan for the past 21 months.

He told reporters before leaving for Geneva that his office was ready to help in any plan for the voluntary repatriation of Afghan refugees. During his visit to Pakistan, Hartling met President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq and had two separate meetings with the ambassadors of Western and East European nations. He described the meetings as fruitful but gave no details.

Hartling was in Pakistan for six days inspecting refugee camps. The former Danish premier conferred with Pakistani President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq.

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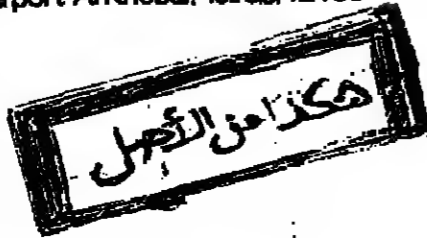


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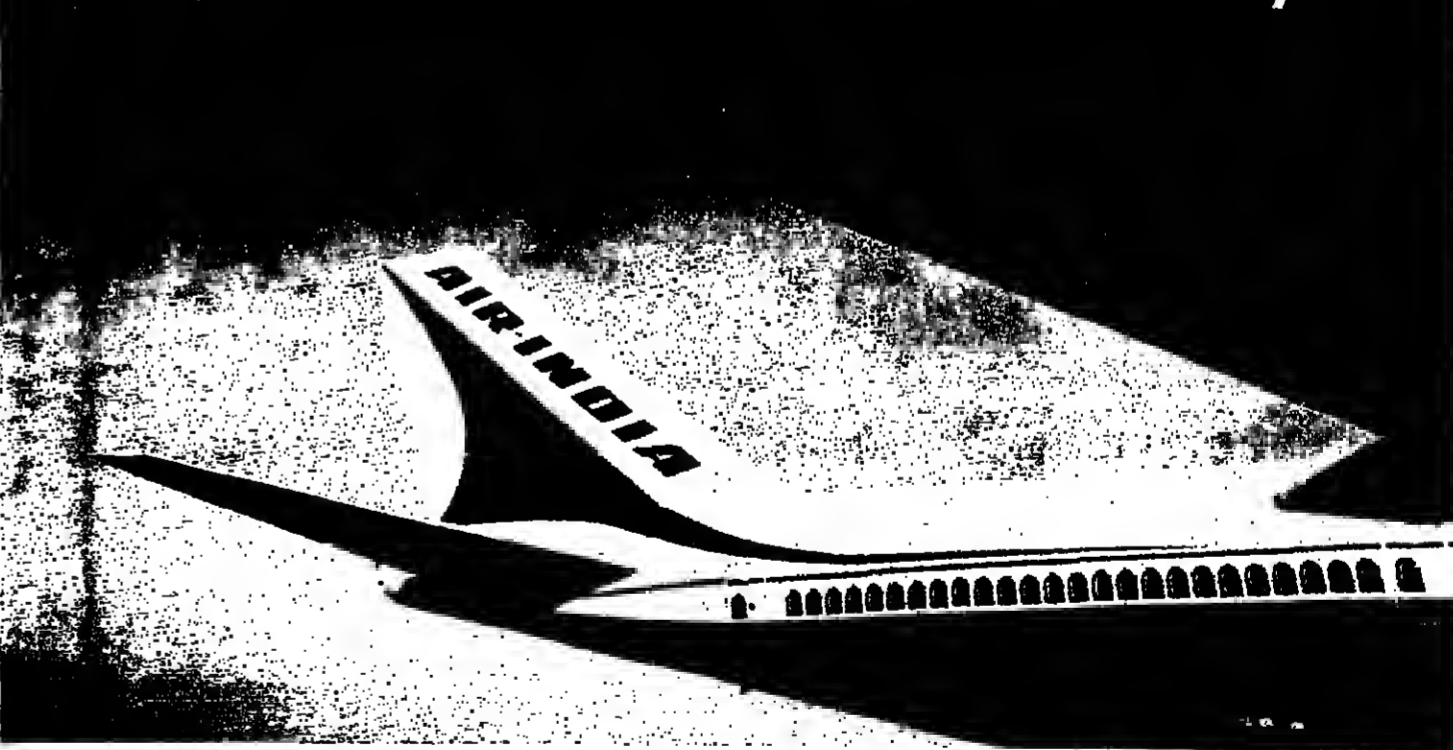
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THE GLORIOUS DOUBLE TENTH

by Yu-chi Hsieh
Ambassador of the Republic of China

Importantly, the Republic of China is entering its 70th Anniversary of the Republic of China on October 10, 1981, the day on which, sixty years ago, the first Asian Republic was proclaimed upon the success of the Revolution led by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Since that historic time, Sun has been revered as the Father of the Nation and October 10, fondly named the Double Tenth, has been designated the National Day, an auspicious occasion on which Chinese people celebrate and rejoice every

where in the world, the Double Tenth is as usual, celebrated on October 10 year. In the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia however, the celebration has been brought forward to October 28, as the original date coincides with Holy Festival of Eid Al-Adha. It is fitting and proper to choose September 28 as the alternate day for the celebration, because it marks the day of Confucius, the Great Teacher of us for all ages, from whose teachings is derived the Three Principles of the People as conceived by Dr. Sun Yat-sen for implementation in the Republic of China.

In the last thirty years, the Government and the Republic of China have been faithfully devoted to the implementation, in Taiwan, of the Three Principles of the People, which are, in essence, National Independence, Democracy, and Economic Well-being and Social Justice for all people. Despite the adverse international situation, we have worked painstakingly and persistently, with the support of our friends, and that goal, and our efforts have yielded flying results. We have built in Taiwan a society which enjoys a high degree of political stability and security, economic prosperity with employment and equitable distribution of income, and social justice and harmony. These achievements have convinced all Chinese people that Dr. Sun's Three Principles of the People are the best needs of modern China and that

it is far superior to the alien ideology imposed by force on a multitude of our brethren. On this special occasion, I also wish to express, on behalf of the Chinese people, a deep sense of gratitude to our many friends, outstanding amongst whom are the noble people of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, without whose friendly and consistent support based on high moral principles we would never have been able to achieve so much. Today, joyfully welcoming the advent of the Eighth Decade of the Republic of China, all freedom-loving Chinese people at home and abroad, united under the leadership of President Chiang Ching-kuo, rededicate ourselves to the successful fulfillment of our historic mission to unify our beloved country under the Great Banner of the Three Principles of the People.

UNITY AND FREEDOM THROUGH THE THREE PRINCIPLES OF THE PEOPLE

The Double Tenth of 1981 marks the 70th anniversary of the Wuchang Revolution that led to the establishment of the Republic of China on January 1st, 1912. This could also be called the Sun Yat-sen Revolution after the Founding Father of the Republic of China who inspired nine uprisings against the Ch'ing Dynasty of the Manchus before the tenth succeeded.

Dr Sun's Three Principles of the People - Nationalism, Democracy and the People's Livelihood, provided the guidelines which have helped Asia's first Republic to become one of the 20th Century's most successful developing countries. Sun Yat-sen had the Three Principles firmly in mind as he established the predecessor to the later Kuomintang (Nationalist Party of China) and led the revolutionaries against the Manchus before presiding over the stormy early days of the infant Republic. Nationalism had first priority among the Principles. The Chinese of this time were, although united culturally and socially, a people unaware of the modern concept of the nation-state. Europeans and the Japanese were thus able to begin the process of carving up China, whilst military weakness led to one Chinese defeat after another.



President Chiang Ching-kuo of the Republic of China

Today's Republic of China has a national spirit as strong as that of any country in the world. In the words of the late President Chiang Kai-shek, "National spirit is more important than material resources; patriotism is more important than weapons". Having acquired both national spirit and patriotism, Free China has gone on to obtain the natural resources and the weapons.

Dr Sun's concept of democracy involved tutelage and gradualism. Political power, he said, should be in the hands of the people, whilst administrative power should be exercised by a strong government. Thus, for as long as the people are sovereign, a government powerful enough to carry out the nation's business can never become a threat to its democracy.

Sun Yat-sen thought of the Kuomintang as the democratic tutor in the early days of the Republic. So it was until the Constitution came into effect in 1947. The National Assembly approved this democratic framework which allowed the regular exercise of the people's sovereignty through free elections and an orderly system of strong, but responsible national, provincial and local government. Dr Sun said, "Only as the people are given great power and the various checks

upon the government will they not be afraid of the government becoming all-powerful".

The constitutional application of democracy on the mainland had barely begun when the Communist usurpation interrupted the process. On Taiwan, tutelage has ended and democracy is now fully developed at all levels, most officials and parliamentary bodies being directly elected.

Despite the Communist occupation of the mainland, election of supplementary members to the National Assembly, Legislative Yuan and Control Yuan has been carried out several times.

President Chiang Ching-kuo and foreign observers hailed the parliamentary elections of December, 1980, as the most democratic in Chinese history. The Kuomintang had competition from the Young China and Democratic Socialist Parties and a number of Independents. After reinforcement of the Legislative Yuan with new blood, Government administrators found they had to devote far more time to interpellations. They attributed their searching questions to the development of democracy and welcomed legislators' calls for information.

Today, Democracy prevails totally at grass roots level throughout Taiwan. Villages and towns elect their own administrators and Councils are chosen directly. As President Chiang Kai-shek once said, "In democracy, the people are masters and government workers are public servants". President Chiang Ching-kuo has insisted on the functional implementation of this ideal.

During the first of his lectures on the People's Livelihood, Sun Yat-sen remarked that only lip service was paid to the concept of social welfare. That was in 1924.

In the Republic of China of 1981, implementation of the People's Livelihood is still under way but has already created the most prosperous province and the highest standard of living in Chinese history.

The mixed economy produces ample economic opportunities for all the people. Although riches are not deplored,

progressive taxation and restraint have produced one of the free world's narrowest income gaps. The goal being enrichment of the poor and not impoverishment of the rich.

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The Republic does not yet have a fully-fledged social security program such as those of the United States and Europe. However, the family system acts as a surrogate while pension plans, organized health care, unemployment insurance and similar programs are developed.

Each new step of social security is undertaken on a pay-as-you-go basis in order to avoid the insolvencies of Western systems. During the development process no one suffers from lack of the basic constituents of livelihood. What the private economy fails to provide is supplied by the public sector.

Responding to the call of people on the Chinese mainland for an opportunity to "learn from Taiwan," the Government and people of the Republic of China have embarked upon a program to convey the inspiration and guidance of the Three Principles of the People to the Chinese living under Communist rule.

In a "Message for Compatriots on the Chinese Mainland", the Kuomintang said that the Three Principles have produced a Taiwan society in which: "Farmers own the land they till and fully enjoy the fruits of their labor. Workers have complete freedom of employment, together with various safeguards and measures for their welfare. Nearly all school-age children are in the classroom. Basic education has been extended from six to nine years. Young people have full freedom to go on to higher schools, to work and to carve out bright careers for themselves. Most important of all, we have safeguarded and burnished the great Chinese culture that the Communists tried to destroy".

The Nationalist Party's message, adopted in Taipei at its 12th National Congress in 1981, went on to say: "In the last 31 years, the economic development of Taiwan has transformed an agricultural society

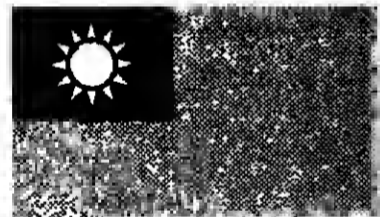
into an industrial one. A backward area has been raised to the level of the developed nations. Per capita income exceeds that of the mainland by 10 times. Per capita foreign trade is 70 times larger. Every family is well clad and well fed. Everyone is working in peace and happiness. With the implementation of land, tax and social welfare policies, the distribution of wealth has become more equitable with each passing day. The people live better today than yesterday and will live still better tomorrow".

This "Message to the Mainland" is based on President Chiang Kai-shek's policy of Chinese unification by means that are at least 70 percent political. The example of the Three Principles of the People forming the core of what the people of the mainland can "learn from Taiwan". As President Chiang Ching-kuo has put it, "Only the Three Principles of the People can bless the country and benefit the people. That is to say, we have already won politically and provided matchlessly great encouragement for our compatriots on the mainland".

Slowly but surely, the people of the mainland are once again looking for guidance from Sun Yat-sen and reaching toward the successful Three Principles example set by the Republic of China on Taiwan. Long denigrated by the Mao Tse-tung regime, Dr Sun has recently been accepted and even rehabilitated by the Communists. His image, like that of Confucius before him, can be besmirched on the surface but never denigrated in the hearts of the Chinese people.

The Republic established by Dr Sun has survived an attempt to revive dynastic rule, defeated the Japanese militarists and now continues the struggle against Communism. It was hurt but not struck down by the decision of the United States and other nations to recognize the Chinese Communists in the hope of trade and other gains.

At the end of its 7th decade, the Republic of China is still moving rapidly forward toward its manifest destiny of a China united under Freedom, Democracy and the Three Principles of the People, and for, all the Chinese people.



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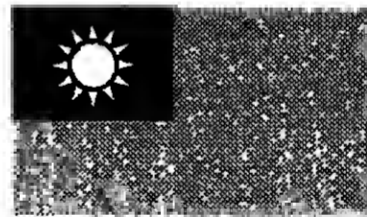
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Saudi youth delegation visits Seoul

Korean cultural exhibit presents the Kingdom's outstanding heritage

Arab News exclusive
By Kim Kyong-hae

SEOUL—Traditional Saudi Arabian cultural items were displayed here recently during an exhibition sponsored by the Saudi Arabian Embassy and the Korea-Arab Friendship Society.

One Saudi Arabian student complained, "Most Koreans seem to think of oil when it comes to the Middle East."

By saying so, the student, who came here as a member of the Saudi Youth Delegation to Korea, meant that Koreans are not well acquainted with the cultural heritage in the Middle East.

"An eternal friendship between Koreans and the Arabs can only be developed on the basis of mutual understanding of the other's society and ethnic culture," said Dr. Rew Jung-yole, chairman of the Korea-Arab Friendship Society.

"Person-to-person relations should be further explored between the Korean and Arab people to attain ever-lasting friendship and partnership," said Dr. Rew.

In the heart of the bustling city of Seoul, an exhibition exclusively aimed at introducing



DR. REW: Chairman of the Korea-Arab Friendship Society.

the traditional cultural heritage of Saudi Arabia, was recently on the initiatives of the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Seoul and the Saudi Youth Delegation who came here at the invitation of the Korean government.

The exhibition displayed traditional Saudi costumes and other cultural items on the second floor of the World Trade Center Korea building with the support of the Korea Trade Promotion Corp. (KOTRA).

A great number of Koreans observed the exhibition with renewed recognition with renewed recognition of the outstanding cultural heritage of Saudi Arabia.

Dr. Rew viewed that the exhibition has made a great contribution to leading the viewers to have deep and wide understanding and recognition of the ethnic culture of Saudi Arabia.

Dr. Rew, also director of the Institute of the Middle East at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, stressed: "The Koreans should broaden their understanding of the Arab people, the Islamic society and its culture, and on such understanding should be promoted economic and politico-diplomatic cooperation."

The Korea-Arab Friendship Society was born in 1971 and it inaugurated "the Arab Cultural Center" as a central body for furthering its activities more effectively and positively.

"The center had made a great contribution for the cultural exchange between Korea and the Arab world. In the center, there are a material room, an exhibition room, an auditorium, a conference room, and an Arab Club.



CULTURAL DISPLAYS: Many Koreans observed objects from Saudi Arabia shown during the exhibit. Above, left women's dress for desert living; and right, a sword used by the King of Saudi Arabia during the Kingdom's founding.



RIBBON-CUTTING: The "Exhibition on the Cultural Heritage of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia" was opened in Seoul by representatives from the Saudi Arabian Embassy and members of the Korea-Arab Friendship Society.

Radio watch ends Oct. 1

U.S. cuts NASA's budget, ending search for intelligence in space

By T.R. Reid

WASHINGTON (WP) — If there are any intelligent beings in outer space beaming radio signals to Earth, they'd better be sure the message gets here by Oct. 1. Among the dozens of federal programs scheduled to plunge into oblivion that day — the first under the new, austere fiscal 1982 budget — is one of the most exotic and ambitious endeavors the government has undertaken: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) search for extraterrestrial intelligence. It is the chief hope for discovering whether there is intelligent life elsewhere in the universe.

The search — known in government circles by its acronym, SETI — is a 6-year-old effort to develop antennae and computer programs that could discern "ooon-randnum sound events" from the flood of radio signals constantly flowing toward Earth from all corners of the cosmos.

As NASA planned it, receivers at the deep space network facility in Goldstone, Calif.,

would conduct an "all sky, all frequency" search of radio transmissions. The computer would search the signals for patterns, which could indicate that the signals are generated by intelligent sources.

Actually, the SETI program has been living on borrowed time for three years, ever since it was one of the bureaucracy's least favorite distinctions: The "Golden Fleece" award presented by Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis.

After Proxmire attacked the program ("it is hard enough to find intelligent life right here in Washington," he said), it was cut from NASA's annual appropriation bill.

Canadian women's 'coffee morning'

JEDDAH, Sept. 28 — A "coffee morning" is being held at 10 a.m. this morning at the residence of the Canadian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia. All Canadian women in Jeddah are invited to attend.

But the space agency, displaying some budgetary intelligence of its own, quietly transferred SETI to its "exobiology" program and continued to fund the search. In each of the past three years, NASA has spent about \$1 million on the search for extraterrestrial intelligence.

Proxmire struck again this summer. Choosing a moment when Sen. Harrison H. Schmitt, R-N.M., a former astronaut and strong NASA supporter, was off the Senate floor, Proxmire won voice-vote passage of an amendment deleting all funds for SETI. The administration, reluctant to fight congressional budget-cutting initiatives, went along, and house-senate conferees adopted Proxmire's amendment.

The result — when Congress approves the conferees' bill — will be one more dead program and many hard feelings at the space agency. A NASA official noted that during the Senate debate, Proxmire made this observation: "There is not a scintilla of evidence that intelligent life exists beyond our solar system."

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After Namibia freedom

Angola to review Cuba troops

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 27 (AP) — Angola's foreign minister, admittedly concerned about the possibility of resumed U.S. aid to pro-Western guerrillas in his country, says the United States has no right to question the presence of Cuban troops in Southern Africa.

Foreign Minister Paolo T. Jorge said in an interview with the Associated Press his Marxist government would "take the necessary measures on this matter" of the Cubans in Angola only after the neighboring territory of Southwest Africa or Namibia gained its independence and South Africa ceased to pose a threat.

The statement, coming a month after a South African invasion of Angola from Namibia, was less explicit than those Jorge made in the past to the effect that once the two preconditions had been met "we don't need the presence of our Cuban comrades."

Jorge declined to say how many Cubans remained in Angola, but by Western estimates there are 15,000-20,000. U.S. officials have spoken of a linkage between the implementation of a Western plan for the phased independence of South Africa-controlled Namibia and the withdrawal of the

Cuban forces from neighboring Angola. "The question is with what right and morality the American administration can speak of the Cuban presence in my country," Jorge said, noting that American troops were based at the Guantanamo Bay naval base on Cuba and in South Korea.

Reacting to South African contentions that the Angolan government, like that of Afghanistan, was not master of its own house because of the large Cuban and Soviet bloc engagement, Jorge replied: "The Angolan government does not accept any kind of subordination from this or that country."

According to the U.S. State Department, there are 1,400 Soviet and Eastern European advisers with the Angolan armed forces. Two Soviet officers were reported killed and another Russian adviser captured during the South African incursion.

Jorge maintained that an undetermined number of South African troops remained in southern Angola, but that Angolan troops were gradually regaining control of the area and had recaptured Ngiva, capital of Angola's Cunene province — one of the focal points of the South African operation.

Jorge conceded that the South African

invasion force had "affected very seriously our defensive system" and had destroyed some radar installations. While Angola had said it was prepared to call for additional outside assistance following the raid, Jorge indicated his government had not gone beyond contacting neighboring black African states about the possibility.

The South African army claimed to have killed 1,000 "enemy troops" during last month's raid. Jorge conceded the toll was about right but contended that most of the casualties were Angolan civilians. "They didn't cause damage of any kind to SWAPO. What they attacked were Angolan villages," he said, referring to the Southwest Africa People's Organization, which has been fighting a 15-year bush war against South Africa to gain black-majority rule in Namibia.

South Africa ostensibly launched the cross-border raid to destroy SWAPO bases in Angola. Jorge argued there only were SWAPO refugee camps in the south of his country.

The foreign minister said it appeared South Africa wanted to create a buffer zone along the Angolan-Namibian border into which to install anti-Marxist guerrillas of Jonas Savimbi's National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA). The union was one of the losers in the 1975 power struggle with the Soviet and Cuban-backed Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola, the current ruling party.

Jorge expressed surprise on hearing that the U.S. Senate Wednesday had voted to remove a ban on U.S. aid to UNITA, which prior to 1976 had received covert American assistance and which continues to be aided by South Africa. However, the Senate bill would require President Ronald Reagan to notify Congress if he wants to take advantage of the Senate repeal his administration had sought.

The Angolan minister declined to predict how Angola would react if American aid to UNITA was resumed, saying "I am used to reacting according to concrete elements and not hypothetical possibilities."

UNITA, which continues to operate in southern Angola, has "no military capacity to face directly our armed forces," Jorge said. "If this organization can cause some trouble, it is because it is assisted by the Pretoria regime."

"Politically," he added, "It has not the support to ensure it could survive once Namibia becomes independent" and South African troops withdraw from that territory.

Anad Marg.

The Marg, formed in the 1950s by a former railway accountant, Prabhat Ranjan Sarkar, and literally meaning "path of eternal bliss," became prominent in the early 1970s with numerous followers in many countries including the United States, Australia and New Zealand. It claimed a membership of four million and about 500 saffron-clad priests.

The movement however suffered a setback when their headquarters in West Bengal state was attacked in 1969. Several top members were killed.

Soon after serious differences within the organization surfaced and Sarkar's wife, Uma Sarkar, publicly denounced her husband and described his activities as brutal.

The Indian government cracked down on the organization and discovered weapons and a large number of human skulls at their headquarters in the eastern town of Ranchi in Bihar state. Sarkar was arrested in 1971 and was charged with killing six defectors, but was acquitted. The movement was banned in 1975 but according to intelligence sources here the members have regrouped and are reorganizing the setup.

Suspect denies plot against Gandhi

NEW DELHI, Sept. 27 (AFP) — One of the two men arrested and accused of conspiring to assassinate Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has alleged that he was tortured and forced by the police to sign a statement involving the Indian spiritual sect Anand Marg in the alleged conspiracy.

Kameshwar Prasad Singh, said in a statement to a court here Saturday he was falsely implicated in the case and denied knowledge that the Marg had planned to kill the 63-year-old prime minister.

The alleged plot was disclosed on Sept. 21 when the Delhi police took two persons before a local magistrate for remand in police custody. Police claimed that the two had conspired to kill Mrs. Gandhi with help from the

British trekker missing

NEW DELHI, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Search parties are looking for a British trekker missing in the Himalayas since Wednesday, according to reports reaching here Sunday. The alert was sounded after the man, identified as T.A. Rastan, failed to return Wednesday evening from a trek on the 12,000-foot Kolahoi in northern Kashmir.

Guyana case deadlocked

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27 (R) — A judge has declared a mistrial in the murder conspiracy case of Larry Layton, an aide to the People's Temple which destroyed itself in an orgy of murder and suicide in Guyana nearly three years ago.

Layton stood impassively with his lawyers while the jury said that after eight days it was hopelessly deadlocked. The only American to stand trial in connection with the deaths, he was charged with conspiring to murder Congressman Leo Ryan and plotting to harm U.S. diplomat William Dwyer.

Ryan was one of five persons killed by gunfire on a Guyanese airstrip after visiting the Temple's jungle commune to investigate reports of abuse there. Dwyer, U.S. deputy chief of mission in Guyana, was wounded.

Soon after the shooting, People's Temple leader Jim Jones led 912 followers to their deaths in a mixture of mass suicides and murders. Most died by drinking a poisoned soft drink.

The judge Saturday called on prosecution and defense lawyers to meet him next week to decide whether there should be a new trial.

Japanese wins Italy film award

ROME, Sept. 27 (AP) — Japanese director Akira Kurosawa on the David Donatello Award Saturday evening for best foreign director for his epic war film *Kagemusha*, and French actress Catherine Deneuve shared the prize for best foreign performance for her role in *L'Ultimo Metro* (The Last Metro). The prizes are Italy's equivalent of an Oscar. President Sandro Pertini attended the award ceremonies at the Rome Opera.

Francis Ford Coppola and George Lucas shared the award for best foreign production for *Kagemusha*. Coppola also picked up in person the prize he was awarded last year for best foreign director for *Apocalypse Now*.

The other foreign film honored for its production was the Hungarian film *Angi Vera*, produced by Hungaro. Film. Its star, Veronika Papp, shared the award for best acting with Deneuve.

The top Italian winners were *Ricomincio da Tre* (Starting for the Third Time) and *Tre Fratelli* (Three Brothers). *Ricomincio da Tre* was named best Italian film, and its star and director Massimo Troisi was honored as best actor.

Francesco Rosi was named best director for *Tre Fratelli*, which also received the prize for best screenplay.

On National Day

Taipei to display missile

TAIPEI, Sept. 27 (CNA) — The Ministry of National Defense of the Republic of China will display some of the locally developed hardware, including a radar-guided medium-range missile, during its Oct. 10 National Day military review. Dubbed "Han Wu," the military review will be the biggest in the 70-year history of the republic.

A preview of the parade was held at an army base in northern Taiwan Sept. 18 with over 2,100 ground troops and 325 military vehicles taking part.

The range of the missile, called "Ching Feng," was not disclosed. A ground-to-ground missile, "Ching Feng" can also be used against ships at sea and as a ground-to-air missile, according to informed sources. Its accuracy is described as "100 percent." Other locally-made sophisticated weapons include an anti-tank missile known as "Kun Wu."

Indian ships said located around disputed island

DACCA, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Indian ships are back again in Bangladesh's territorial waters around the disputed south Talpatty Island in the Bay of Bengal, the influential weekly *Holiday* reported here Sunday.

The weekly, quoting "reports received in Dacca," said Indian troops had also started strengthening their positions on the tiny island, claimed by both New Delhi (which calls it New Moore) and Bangladesh, through construction of huts and gun posts.

The dispute had been under discussion between Dacca and New Delhi at various levels. In a surprise move last May Indian Navy vessels and troops took position in and around the island because of "menacing movements" by Bangladeshi gunboats.

In repeated protests, Dacca has demanded the withdrawal of the Indian naval presence from the island, and called for a negotiated settlement of the dispute, including a joint survey to determine ownership.

The latest Indian action on the south Talpatty Island, located in the estuary of the border River Hariabhangha, came two weeks after a two-day meeting in New Delhi between the Indian and Bangladeshi foreign ministers, at which both sides agreed to take further steps to defuse tension and strive for a negotiated settlement of the dispute, the weekly said.

All Indian warships except one reportedly withdrew from waters surrounding the disputed island during the New Delhi meeting. *Holiday* said that on the basis of the information it received, India appeared to have stepped up its "hostile acts".

displayed two years ago, will appear this time in a modified form. Originally designed as a surface-to-surface missile, the new model has been deployed for use by the artillery units.

Locally-developed self-propelled artillery pieces and sophisticated communications and mine-laying equipment will be among the other new gear to be made public during the military review. Also to be shown are self-propelled artillery pieces and amphibious reconnaissance vehicles bought from the United States.

The Republic of China stepped up the development of its own defense industry in the wake of the U.S. recognition of the Chinese Communists. The research and development activities are financed by a special government appropriation and public donations. The latter alone amounted to some \$100 million.

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W. Berlin not to use force on squatters

BERLIN, Sept. 27 (AP) — West Berlin Mayor Richard von Weizsäcker has announced that "for the time being" police will not forcibly clear squatters from pied houses in order to help find a peaceful solution to the city's housing problems.

Removal of squatters from some of the 160 occupied houses has sparked waves of violent street demonstrations and during the past nine months in the West-sector of the divided city.

The first death was recorded Tuesday when an 18-year-old student was run over by a car during a street clash with police following the clearance of eight occupied houses.

Squatter sympathizers took to the streets in West German cities after the death was reported, leading to riots in which more than 100 people were injured and millions of dollars of damage was reported.

Weizsäcker made the announcement following a meeting of politicians, businessmen and union representatives. He said the city government would do its utmost to see that the more than 200 empty apartments in the city of 2.2 million are filled.

Major Democratic opposition leader Hans Dietrich Genscher, who attended the conference with other party, labor, religious and social representatives, expressed hopes that the "errors" committed Tuesday would be corrected. A follow-up conference date is set for Oct. 7.

S. booklet to show Soviet Army strength

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (R) — A glossy, 16-page booklet giving a detailed description of Soviet military strength will be published next week by the Reagan administration, *The New York Times* said Sunday.

The booklet contains color charts, photographs and maps and for the first time shows on maps the approximate location of Soviet launchers of medium-range nuclear-armed missiles.

The booklet, called *Soviet Military Power*, was released by Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger Tuesday, the paper said.

With Soviet Union Americans believe N-war possible

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (AP) — More than two-thirds of the American people believe there could be a nuclear war between the United States and the Soviet Union in the next ten years, according to a *Newsweek* poll released Saturday.

And 86 percent of those questioned believe that their chances of surviving such a war would be poor or 50-50 at best, according to a poll conducted for the magazine by the Gallup polling organization.

Newsweek said the poll also showed U.S. President Ronald Reagan's job-approval rating had dropped to 51 percent, a decline of 9 percentage points since a similar poll was conducted in August.

The magazine noted the poll was taken before Reagan's nationally televised speech on the economy Thursday night. The copyright poll, appearing in the magazine's Oct. 5 issue, is based on telephone interviews with 671 adults on Sept. 23 and 24.

The margin of error was reported at plus or minus 5 percent.

The poll said 6 percent of those questioned are almost certain there will be a nuclear war between the two superpowers within a decade, while 24 percent believed there was a "good chance" and 35 percent think there is "some chance."

Asked if they thought Reagan's policies were reducing or increasing the chances of nuclear war, 25 percent replied "increasing," 23 percent "reducing," and 35 percent thought his policies would not change the situation.

By 49 to 37 percent, they were opposed to use of tactical nuclear weapons against Soviet forces in Europe even if it appeared the Soviets were going to conquer the continent.

Meanwhile, President Reagan will announce his decisions on the mobile missile (MX) and B-1 bomber programs within a week, White House spokesman David

Gergen said Saturday. Reagan also plans to hold a televised news conference within two weeks, Gergen told reporters. The president has had only three formal news conferences since taking office in January, the last on June 16.

The MX program would move intercontinental missiles with nuclear warheads between a number of underground launch sites in Western states to make it more difficult for the Soviet Union to destroy U.S. weapons in a pre-emptive strike. There has been strong opposition to the plan from residents of Nevada and Utah, the most likely areas for installation of the missiles, and a reduced version of the plan has been under consideration.

The B-1 supersonic bomber would replace the ageing B-52 as America's primary manned strategic weapon. The program was canceled by former President Carter but is being reconsidered by Reagan.

If action helps free poll Duarte prepared to retire

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27 (AFP) — El Salvador's President Jose Napoleon Duarte will retire "at any time if that helps in the direction of free elections," he said at a press conference here Saturday, while several dozen demonstrators in front of the hotel protested his presence in this California city.

Duarte criticized the U.S. Senate's approval of a bill linking Salvadoran military aid to respect for human rights in the Central American country. The bill was part of a foreign aid budget package for the next fiscal year.

"I will never agree with any condition from one country to another country," Duarte said, but acknowledged that "any country that would give aid to another country has the right to establish its own conditions." The Senate vote makes the United States "look bad to the world," he said.

Duarte recognized that Salvadoran security forces had been guilty of acts of violence, and said that 42 members of those forces were in prison, 610 had been dismissed and that between 600 and 700 others were on probation.

Meanwhile, a U.S. official will shortly arrive here for talks with authorities about U.S. assistance in planned elections here next February, a government spokesman announced.

He identified the official as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Evert Briggs when, he said, was ready to meet with representatives of all of the country's "legally recognized" political parties.

Reagan wants revision of federal crime laws

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (AFP) — President Ronald Reagan wants "sweeping revisions" of federal crime laws including restrictions on freeing convicts on parole, the White House announced Saturday. Spokesman David Gergen said the president will unveil his ideas on this subject in a speech to the International Association of Police Chiefs in New Orleans, Louisiana, Monday.

He will not present a new plan against crime but will "strongly endorse sweeping revisions of the overall federal criminal code," Gergen said.

Despite support for Salim Waldheim's chances 'unchanged'

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 27 (R) — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's prospects of being re-elected have not drastically changed despite the nonaligned states' support for Tanzanian Foreign Minister Salim Ahmad Salim, diplomats said. Salim has already been endorsed by the Organization of African Unity and the League of Arab States.

But diplomats said Waldheim could still win an unprecedented third term because the choice is made primarily by the five permanent members of the Security Council, each of which has the power to veto a candidate.

A council source said Salim's Third World backing and his record as a militant and activist were bound to make both Washington and Moscow nervous. Waldheim's current five-year term expires on Dec. 31. The council is expected to start looking at the question of succession next month.

The secretary-general is appointed by the General Assembly, on the council's recommendation. So far, only Waldheim and Salim are candidates. However, others, possibly a Latin American or two, are expected to join.

Italian prisoners fast

BARCELONA, Sept. 27 (AFP) — About a thousand inmates in Barcelona's model prison Saturday night joined some 700 of their comrades in a hunger strike that began Saturday morning to protest jail conditions and delays in the court system, prison officials said.

There are 2,880 inmates in the prison, and the hunger strikers called for blanket reductions of their sentences to reduce overcrowding.

the coolest. There was unease at the highest levels of the secretariat and in the Austrian mission in the U.N. when the nonaligned states' support for Salim was announced.

In 1976 China, favoring a Third World candidate, vetoed Waldheim's re-election but later re-elected. The Chinese are expected to veto him again, but some diplomats believe Peking would not block his re-election if the other council members want him.

Salim said this week that, as far as he knew, the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France were open-minded about his candidature. Other diplomats said they regarded the United States as the biggest threat to the Tanzanian's election prospects.

Waldheim will soon be 63 years old. Salim is not yet 40 and already something of a diplomatic prodigy. Of mixed Arab-African ancestry, he was born on the small Indian Ocean island of Pemba, the first of 18 children of a poor clerk. A student militant, he fought for Zanzibar's merger with Tanganyika to form the United Republic of Tanzania and had his first diplomatic post at the age of 19. He was an ambassador, to Cairo, at 22.

A prodigious worker, he obtained his master's degree in international relations during his 10 years as chief delegate to the U.N., and concurrently ambassador to Cuba. As chairman of the Special Committee on Decolonization, he was often at loggerheads with Western countries. He told a friend this week that as an African he was, of course, pro-Africa. He said no one need have any fears about his objectivity if he became secretary-general, which he is confident he will be. "I will be pro-UN," he said.

BRIEFS

BONN (AFP) — West German President Karl Carstens will probably sign a pardon to free East German master spy Guenter Guillaume Monday morning, a reliable source disclosed here Saturday night. He said the president finally consented to this to make possible a major exchange of spies.

LONDON (R) — Journalists at *The Sunday Times* newspaper met Saturday to discuss legal action against the management for stopping their pay when it suspended production Friday over a print workers' dispute. Rupert Murdoch, who bought the newspaper last February after an 11-month shutdown under its previous owners, arrived in London from New York.

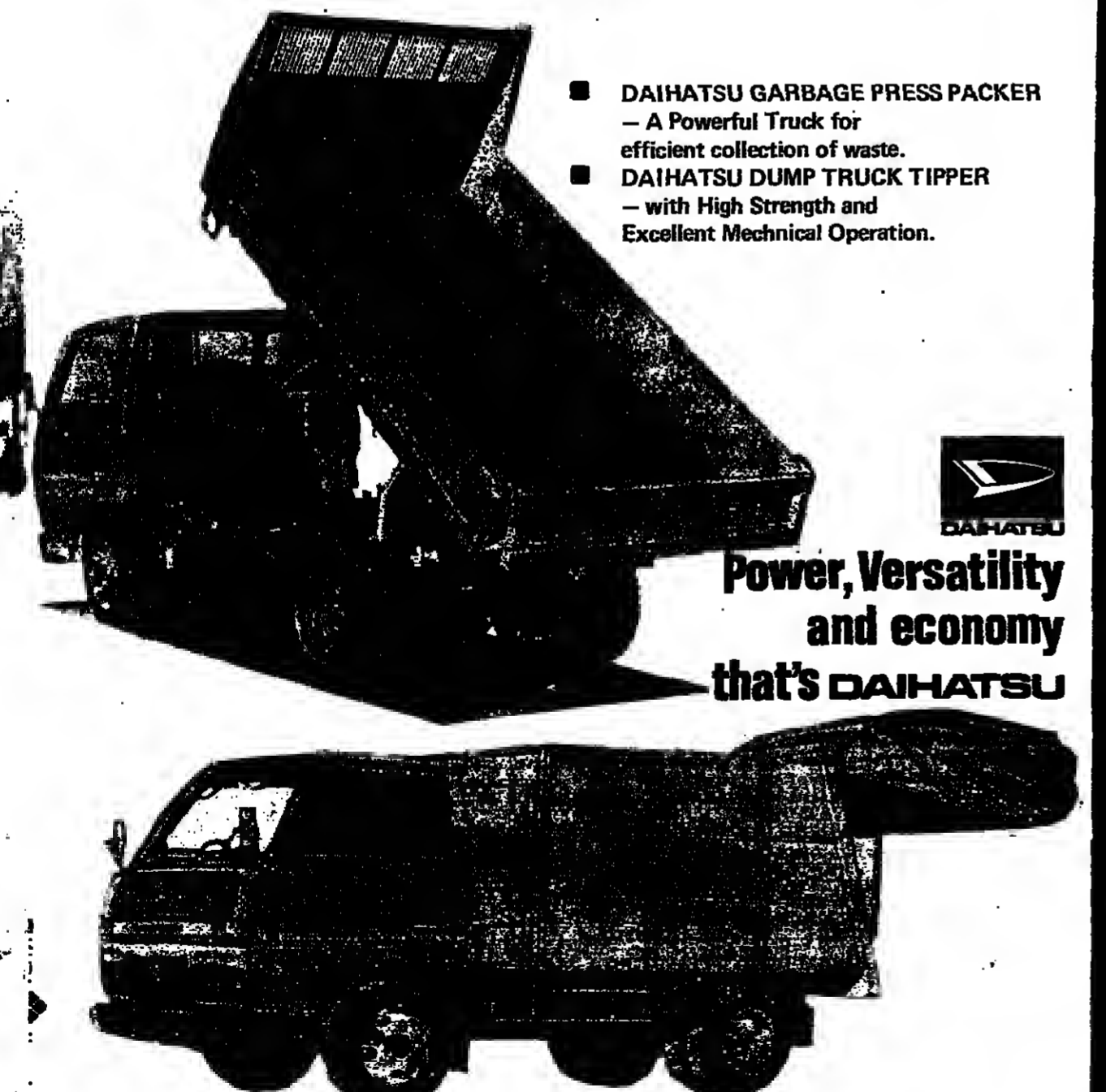
ROME (AFP) — Alessandra Mussolini, 18-year-old granddaughter of the late Duce, Benito Mussolini, and niece of screen actress Sofia Loren, made her debut on Italian state television Sunday as emcee on an afternoon variety show. Miss Mussolini, recently graduated from high school, is the daughter of the Italian ruler's son, Romano Mussolini.

WASHINGTON (AFP) — Six months after the attempt on his life, President Ronald Reagan enjoys a satisfactory state of health, according to his personal physician, Dr. Daniel Ruge said that for two months after he was shot in the lung and operated on for the extraction of the bullet, his 70-year-old patient had complained of a sensation of "discomfort," but had since ceased to do so.

NEW YORK (AFP) — Former Venezuelan President Romulo Betancourt is in critical condition in a New York hospital, where he has been a patient since Thursday, a hospital spokesman said here Saturday night. Betancourt, who is 73, is in an intensive care unit after what the spokesman at the hospital in Manhattan said was "a massive brain stroke".

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America blocking IMF loan to India

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (R) — A big loan to India by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) is running into further delays because the United States is insisting on tougher conditions for putting up the money, IMF sources said Sunday.

In New Delhi, a published report said Sunday that India will withdraw its application for the loan from the IMF if the U.S. insists on reconsideration of the terms already negotiated.

The \$5.7 billion loan, the largest ever considered by the IMF had been expected to be approved this month or next month at the very latest. The sources said it could be delayed even longer. The issue is being discussed in some detail at the current gathering in Washington of world financial leaders attending the annual meetings the IMF and the World Bank.

Some Third World delegates at this week's meeting of Commonwealth ministers at Nassau, Bahamas, expressed opposition to the loan because it would drain off a large portion of the IMF's pool of financial resources.

The U.S. does not oppose the loan itself, but has told the IMF management that India should take specific actions to improve its economic situation before the funds are handed over.

The U.S. has not spelled out precisely what objections it might have to any agreement. In general, however, it would like India to direct its attention to getting its economic house in order by moving toward a better balance between government spending and revenues.

Treasury Secretary Donald Regan told reporters earlier this week that the review draft which is being circulated among the ministers in Washington for the IMF and World Bank meeting, would be made public in two or three weeks. He also said U.S. had been asking questions about the conditions attached to the Indian loan, indicating that it believed requirements for its approval must be hardened. The sources said negotiations on the Indian loan had been virtually completed when the U.S. and some of the poorer countries began to question whether the conditions were sufficiently stringent.



SHARES TUMBLE: Activity on the floor of the London stock exchange Wednesday when about £1 billion (\$1.79 billion) was wiped off in the first half hour of trading following the second worst one-day fall in the market's history.

Melbourne talks set Fraser urges fair deal to poor

MELBOURNE, Sept. 27 (AFP) — The North-South dialogue and the future of Namibia would be the two most important topics for discussion at the Commonwealth heads of government meeting opening here Wednesday, Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser said Sunday in a national radio and television broadcast.

Fraser emphasized the need to improve relations between the developed and the developing countries of the world and thus bring hope of some 1,000 million people in the world with an annual income of less than \$225. These conditions of poverty and hardship cause instability and tension and frustrate the economic advancement of the whole world, he warned. "We shall be discussing proposals to deal with the problems of food and energy, of trade and aid. And we shall be working to mobilize the international political will necessary for progress," he added.

In an apparent attempt to placate the Commonwealth African nations, who form the biggest group among the 41 countries represented at the week-long conference, Fraser condemned racialism and launched a

blistering attack on South Africa.

Fraser said the history of African countries "has been polluted and poisoned by racialism, which deems men inferior or superior according to the color of their skins, and nothing else".

The Australian leader pointed out that while most civilized states sought to combat such racial prejudice, "In South Africa the whole weight of the state and of the law is used to perpetuate it and to strengthen it." "That, of course, is a fundamental difference," he emphasized.

Uranium found in S. India

NEW DELHI, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Deposits of the uranium-bearing mineral uraninite have been detected in south India's Kerala state, it was reported here.

Prof. C. Karunakaran, director of the Center for Earth Science Studies said at the Kerala capital of Trivandrum that the British Institute of Geological Science, which analysed samples of the mineral, had confirmed their uranium content.

The institute reported that the samples contained uranium and thorium at a 20:1 ratio, he said. Prof. Karunakaran, quoted by press trust of India news agency, said that the deposits were detected at four places in the district during a joint survey by his center and the state's minerals exploration and development project.

Japan's seamless steel exports hit new high

TOKYO, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Japanese exports of seamless tubular steel totaled 3,031,000 tons last year, more than half of the world market, the Japan Iron and Steel Federation has said.

The figure compared with 2,664,000 tons in 1979. The world's total exports of seamless tubular steel totaled 6,014,000 tons last year, up from 5,983,000 tons in 1979, it said. According to the federation, demand for seamless pipes and other tubular goods have been brisk thanks to the worldwide oil exploration boom touched off by the second oil crisis in the wake of Iranian crude supply cuts in 1978-79.

Quito looks eastward to hike oil sales

QUITO, Sept. 27 (R) — Ecuador hopes to boost its oil sales to the Far East, Jorge Pareja, the head of Cepe, the state oil concern, has said.

"There are strong possibilities that the area may become a major market for our oil," he told reporters on his return from an Asian tour. He said that South Korea, which currently buys 30,000 barrels per day of Ecuadorian crude, would increase imports to 45,000 barrels from next month, while talks with private Japanese and Taiwanese importers were scheduled for January.

Pareja said prospects were good in Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines, but he did not give details. Ecuador, a junior member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), is having difficulties settling its production because of the glut on the world market and Cepe says stockpiles totaled 6.4 million barrels Sept. 15.

36% in 'rich' class 42% dubbed 'poor' in France

PARIS, Sept. 27 (AFP) — While Frenchmen have been quivering over the forthcoming wealth tax proposed by the new Socialist government, a recent survey showed that the French are both richer and poorer than they thought.

For example, the great "middle class" turned out not to be so great, representing only 22 percent of the country's population of 52 million. The "rich" class accounted for 36 percent of the citizens, while 42 percent belonged to the "poor" class.

The survey by the Socialist-leaning *Nouvel Observateur* magazine was the first to consider both yearly earnings and savings and inheritances. It should soothe fears — but deflate egos — of Frenchmen at the upper end of the "middle class" who turn out to be not rich enough for the new wealthy tax, to be levied on incomes from three to five million francs (\$545,000 to \$910,000).

According to the survey, the "poor" class included those whose yearly earnings are less than 66,000 francs (\$12,000) and who have savings or an inheritance of less than 30,000 francs (\$5,400), just about enough to buy a car in France. Some 7.8 million of the 18.7 million households in France are "poor."

The "middle class" earnings average from 66,000 to 120,000 francs a year (almost \$12,000 to \$21,400), while their savings and inheritance ranges from 30,000 to 450,000 francs (\$5,400 to \$81,800).

The 36 percent "rich" class, meanwhile, has yearly earnings of more than 120,000 francs and savings and inheritances of more than 450,000 francs. Twenty-four percent of this class, in fact, have vast fortunes throwing them into an even more defined "super-rich" category.

At their top is the 89-year-old aeronautics magnate Marcel Dassault, whose fortune is estimated at 8,000 million francs (\$1.45 billion). The list also includes industrialist Edmond de Rothschild, 55, who is said to have placed 50 to 85 percent of his fortune in Switzerland, the United States and Israel. The tire magnate Francois Michelin, 55, and the automobile family Peugeot.

The survey also said that 5,000 to 6,000 tons of gold, or 500,000 million to 600,000 million francs worth (\$90.9 billion to \$109 billion), has also been accumulated by generations of Frenchmen who have managed to hide it from the taxmen.

Oteiba heads team to Japan, Manila

ABU DHABI, Sept. 27 (AFP) — United Arab Emirates Oil Minister Mana Said Al Oteiba will head a top-level delegation of oilmen and industrialists to Indonesia, the Philippines and Japan next month, the Emirates news agency Wam has reported.

Informed sources here added that Oteiba would deliver personal message from Emirates President Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al

Nahyan to the president of Indonesia, Gen. T.N. Siharjo.

They said the message would deal with the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) ministerial conference due to take place here in December. The sources said Oteiba would also meet the president of the Philippines, Ferdinand Marcos, and Japanese Premier Zenko Suzuki during his trip, which will last from Oct. 9 to 22.

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J.S. stand puts IMF future in jeopardy

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (AFP) — The role of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) seemed to be at stake at an annual meeting this week after statements from U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald Regan and his assistant Beryl Sprinkel suggested the IMF did not face a special drawing right (SDR) of member nations, especially when one considered the high liquidity in the world.

general the IMF had done a good job, Sprinkel said it had shown slackness. Both noted that it had been more strict in last few months about the loans it grants to the developing countries.

Thus, it is widely believed that the annual meeting this week will quickly become a forum for U.S. positions on restrictive monetary policy and that the Reagan administration would begin proselytizing international institutions and specific countries on behalf of its newly implemented economic faith.

J.S. allows Pakistan debt rescheduling

LAMABAD, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Pakistan and the United States Sunday signed an agreement to implement debt rescheduling agreements of \$23,769 million loans, it was officially announced here.

Sprinkel, whose credentials as a monetarist are beyond question, believes that the IMF — which has been toying more with the idea of developmental aid — should return to its traditional role of helping countries with balance-of-payments problems.

The old role of the IMF in such circumstances was simple and did not require the amount of money that many nations would like the organization to provide. The bank granted short-term loans to countries with balance-of-payments problems with the stipulation that tight-fisted reforms be implemented. This led to criticism that the bank was a regressive force in the Third World.

Sprinkel denied that the U.S. proposals would require a return to these similar times for the IMF, but under almost any set of circumstances Washington might see as ideal, the World Bank and the IMF would take a backseat to the private market forces in international finance.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Saturday

	SAMA	Bank	Transfer
1 Dirham	9.14	9.13	9.13
1 Saudi Ruppee	—	—	13.40
1 Franc (1,000)	90.00	—	285.00
1 U.S. Dollar	286.00	146.75	146.30
1 Mark (100)	147.00	132.25	132.10
1 Guilder (100)	—	—	—
1 Pound	—	3.84	4.11
100 Dirhams (100)	—	93.00	93.15
1 Franc (100)	61.00	61.75	61.45
1 Drachma (1,000)	—	55.50	59.25
1 Ryal (100)	—	—	36.80
1 Lira (10,000)	29.00	29.20	29.00
1 Yen (1,000)	14.90	—	14.25
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ENERGY TALKS: Thailand's ambassador to Austria and resident representative to International Atomic Energy Agency, Manasap Xuto (l), Monday was unanimously elected president of IAEA's 25th general conference. In center is IAEA director general Sigvard Eklund, right at the presidium table general conference secretary Georges le Guellec.

\$100b at stake Comecon debts worry West

BRUSSELS, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Concern over the spread of Polish-type economic difficulties throughout the Eastern bloc was aroused this week by the disclosure that Romania has asked its Western creditors to reschedule its short-term debts because of "temporary incapacity to pay."

This report resulted in a spate of speculation about the relations between the Comecon countries and Western banks and prompted Gerhard Fink — of the Austrian Institute of Comparative Economic Studies, to remark that the Comecon (Communist trading group) debt to the West will total between \$100 billion and \$130 billion by 1985.

In a report made public in New York and in Vienna, Fink said that talks on credits to Poland will not bring a tangible solution before the end of the 1980s. Poland's debt to the West has been put at more than \$25 billion.

East Germany is in a precarious situation because of its extremely ambitious, high-growth five-year plan. As for Rumania, despite relatively low debt in comparison with other Comecon countries, its future remains difficult because of its problems in

India suffers export setback

NEW DELHI, Sept. 27 (AFP) — India's share of global exports fell from 0.71 percent in 1970 to 0.44 percent in 1980, the Financial Express daily said Sunday.

The fall was due to unsatisfactory production in industry and agriculture as well as infrastructural bottlenecks. The recessionary conditions and intensification of protectionist tendencies in some industrialized nations also accounted for the fall, the paper said.

World-controlled funds Swede plan to boost economy

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Proposals for 24 worker-controlled regional investment funds will be a major talking point at the Swedish Social Democrat Party (SDP) conference.

Observers here believe the project, which has just been approved by trades unions at their general confederation's annual conference, could be a key issue in the run-up to next year's elections, when the SDP will seek to regain power after five years' opposition.

The idea, as similarly envisaged by the confederation and the party, is for the funds to obtain money from employers, and for unions to invest it in shareholdings chosen by the confederation.

The confederation believes it would obtain 2,000 to 3,000 million crowns (\$360 to 540 million) a year, which it says would be entirely reinvested in the economy, favoring support of productive and job-creating schemes.

Opponents say the project would amount to an attempt by Sweden's labor force to take control of economic structure, with employees eventually becoming co-proprietors of companies they worked for.

The center-right parties who have held power for five years, and the employers themselves, allege such a "socialisation" plan would undermine the foundations of the market economy which has kept Swedish people relatively well-to-do.

On Saturday, Curt Nicolin, president of the Industries Federation, said the project was unacceptable, and refused any idea of discussions. Under the scheme, first debated 10 years ago and revived in 1975 by Rudolf Meidner, an economist employed by union organizations, employers would have to contribute one percent extra to complementary

retirement funds, and firms would be taxed on profits of more than 15 percent on invested capital.

A company with 100 million crowns invested would have to hand over fifth of all profits in excess of 15 million crowns.

Money invested at the stock exchange in firms chosen by the confederation would never be used to bail out businesses in financial trouble. Also envisaged is a law preventing heads of companies with more than 500 employees from opposing the purchase of shares by the funds.

Prudeoc is likely to be the SDP's keyword in its approach to the investment fund project, since party authorities have concluded that the Meidner plan contributed to the party's fall from power — it had governed since 1932 with only a short break in 1936.

SDP leader Olof Palme told the confederation conference on Wednesday that the party needed time to reflect on the investment funds idea. Observers said soundings of opinion tended to confirm that it had yet to make much headway.

Confederation General-Secretary Gunnar Nilsson told delegates, and particularly oeswemo, that the fund's only aim would be to revive a depressed economy and stimulate jobs, a priority objective.

There would be no question of ending the market economy, he said. Opponents have 10 months in which to try to convince public opinion that the funds would simply be a weapon aimed at socialising Swedeo's economy.

First remarks by confederation and SDP leaders could show up a lack of unity on the plan for a workers' investment fund, though both organizations have been supporting it for 10 years.

Sri Lanka acts to woo alien capital

COLOMBO, Sept. 27 (AFP) — A five-day meeting to promote foreign investment in industrial ventures in Sri Lanka will be held here from Oct. 19 organized by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the Sri Lanka government.

60 export-oriented projects involving a total capital investment of \$1 billion submitted by local private sector investors, the spokesman said.

The proposed projects range from the manufacture of Oleo-resins and spice oils, electrodes and carbon brushes, to timber projects, building material and chemical and pharmaceutical products.

Other possible projects include manufacture of packaging materials, boats, chemical equipment, instant tea bags and instant tea, rubber-based products, shipping, jewelry, leather-based products, horticultural and aqua-culture projects.

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	Drinking water project for the Houtat Beni Tamim region which includes Al-Husseini, Asfal Al-Batin, Al-Fara, Quwaye, Saqr and Utayyan	18/8	1,000	26.10.81
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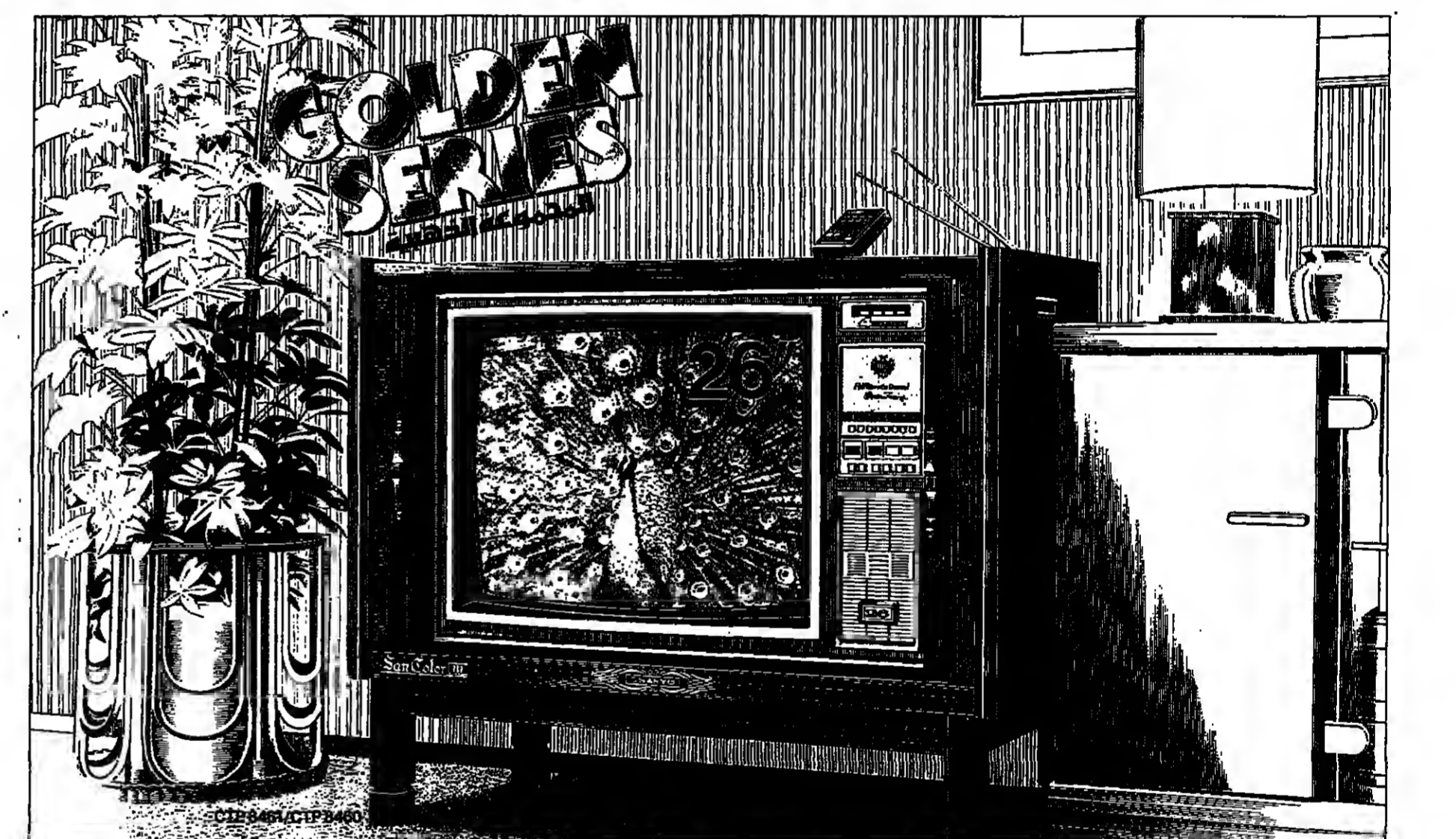
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Nolan Ryan sets new mark

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (AP) — Nolan Ryan set an all-time major league record with the fifth no-hitter of his career, allowing only three walks as he pitched the Houston Astros to a 5-0 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers Saturday.

Ryan, 34, was tied with Sandy Koufax for the most no-hitters in a career. While with the California Angels — whom he left to sign with Houston as a free agent in 1980 — Ryan on-hit Kansas City 3-0 on May 15 and Detroit 6-0 on July 15. The next year he no-hit Minnesota 4-0 on Sept. 28, and recorded his fourth no-hitter on June 1, 1975 against Baltimore, winning 1-0. Ryan also has thrown seven one-hitters.

A crowd of 32,115 cheered Ryan's every pitch as he approached the historic achievement of his fifth no-hitter. Prior to the ninth, he had given up only three walks. In the final inning, Ryan, 10-5, fanned a pinch-hitter Reggie Smith on three pitches for his 11th strikeout of the game. Keo Landreaux grounded out to Denny Walling at first base, then Ryan completed the masterpiece by getting Dusty Baker to ground out to Art Howe at third base.

Paul Householder helped pitcher Bruce Bercowy to a 2-0 victory over Atlanta with his



Nolan Ryan

second homer of the season as Cincinnati remained 1 1/2 games behind Houston in the National League West.

Rookie Terry Francona collected three hits and scored two runs, while Ray Burris and Woodie Frymao combined on an eight-hitter as Montreal beat the New York Mets 4-2 and maintained a 2 1/2-game lead in the East.

Ben Oglivis smashed a two-run homer in the eighth, then Rollie Fingers came on to preserve Milwaukee's 4-3 triumph at Detroit that vaulted the Brewers into first place in the American League East by a half-game over the Tigers and Boston. Fingers notched his 28th save. Richie Hebner homered twice for the Tigers.

Jorge Orta led the Cleveland Indians over the Red Sox 7-5 with three hits, scoring after each. Toby Harrah, Mike Hargrove, Von Hayes and Duane Kuiper had two hits apiece for Cleveland.

John Castano hit his American League-leading ninth triple of the season after Texas intentionally walked Glenn Adams to get to him in the eighth inning of Minnesota's 7-3 victory over Texas. Castano's two-run shot keyed a four-run rally.

RESULTS: American League: Minnesota 7, Texas 3; Cleveland 7, Boston 5; Milwaukee 4, Detroit 3; California 6, Toronto 3; Oakland 5, Chicago 1; New York 6, Baltimore 4; Seattle 4, Kansas City 2.

National League: Montreal 4, New York 2; St. Louis 5, Pittsburgh 3; Houston 5, Los Angeles 0; Cincinnati 2, Atlanta 0; San Francisco 6, San Diego 5; Philadelphia at Chicago postponed.

Trojans rally from brink of defeat

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (AP) — Quarterback John Mazur's 10-yard touchdown pass with two seconds left gave top-ranked Southern California a 28-24 victory over second-ranked Oklahoma and prevented the Trojans from becoming one of Saturday's three major upset victims.

Mazur, a left-hander, rolled to his left and hit tight end Fred Cornwell in the corner of the end zone to cap a 78-yard march.

Marcus Allen rushed for 208 yards for Southern Cal, now 3-0, tying an NCAA record with his third straight 200-yard-plus effort. He scored a 24-14 deficit to within three points with 8:37 to play.

The loss was the first in three games for the Sooners, who led most of the game despite losing five of 10 fumbles.

No. 6 UCLA, 13th-ranked Notre Dame and 18th-ranked Arizona State all lost to unranked teams. Iowa defeated UCLA 20-7, Purdue edged Notre Dame 15-14 and Washington State downed Arizona State 24-21.

No. 7 Michigan and eight-ranked Ohio State narrowly avoided becoming additional upset victims. Michigan held on to defeat Navy 21-16, and Ohio State squandered an 18-point lead before beating Stan-

ford 24-19.

In other games involving ranked teams, it was No. 3 Penn State 30, 15th-ranked Nebraska 24, No. 9 North Carolina 56, Boston College 14; Mississippi state 28, Florida 7, No. 16 Washington 17, Oregon 3; Georgia 24, South Carolina 0.

In night games, fourth-ranked Texas defeated 14th-rated Miami, Florida 14-7; 10th-ranked Alabama downed Vanderbilt 28-7; and 20th-ranked Southern Methodist beat Texas Christian 20-9. No. 5 Pittsburgh and No. 19 Clemson did not play.

Iowa, a 10-7 upset winner over the No. 7 Nebraska two weeks ago, scored its second upset of a top 70 team behind the kicking of freshman Tom Nichol booted field goals of 35 and 43 yards, his first two of the season. Mark Borz recovered a fumble in the end zone, and quarterback Pete Gates ran 16 yards for Iowa's other scores.

UCLA quarterback Tom Ramsey scored on a 1-yard touchdown run with 10:47 left in the second quarter, and the Bruins could get no closer than the Iowa 49-yard line the rest of the way.

Quarterback Scott Campbell and flanker Steve Bryant teamed on a 7-yard touchdown pass and a two-point conversion with

19 seconds left to boost Purdue, 2-1, over Notre Dame, which lost its second game in a row, Notre Dame, which lost to Michigan last Saturday, dropped to 1-2.

Kevin Morris kicked a 29-yard field goal with 5:18 left in Washington State's upset of Arizona State, now 2-1, in the Pacific 10 Conference opener for both teams. The winning kick ended a 56-yard drive kept alive by quarterback Clete Casper's 22-yard pass to Jeff Poppe and Tim Harris' 17-yard run to the 19-yard line. Washington State now has won all three of its games.

Michigan built a 21-6 lead in the third period as quarterback Steve Smith ran for one touchdown and passed for another, then hung on to beat Navy, also 2-1, cut the Wolfpack's lead to 21-13 as the third period ended when quarterback Marco Pagnanelli ran 22 yards for a touchdown, and the misdirection cut the margin to five points with a 45-yard field goal by Steven Fehr, who had kicked two earlier field goals. Michigan, 2-1, led 7-0 after a 4-yard touchdown run by Butch Woolfolk, who ran for 117 yards.

Michigan wide receiver Anthony Carter left the game on a stretcher in the second period.

Duran gains unanimous verdict

Matthew Saad stops Martin in 11th to retain title

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, Sept. 26 (Ageocies) — Matthew Saad Muhammad duped second-ranked Jerry Martin into punching himself into exhaustion and came back with an 11th-round knockout Saturday to retain his World Boxing Council Light-heavyweight title.

Referee Larry Hazzard stopped the scheduled 15-round bout at 28 seconds into the 11th round after Muhammad threw two rights to Martin's chin, dazing the challenger.

Muhammad controlled most of the fight, tagging Martin almost at will from the third round onward. By the 11th, Martin was wobbly and exhausted from Muhammad's roundhouse lefts.

"Muhammad had begun to get to Martin and Martin was fighting out of desperation," said Hazzard as ringside fans booed his decision. "Martin's hands went down and he staggered. He was a sitting duck," Hazzard said. "His eyes went up and he was hurt."

"He was hurt. He was hurt," Muhammad told the disgruntled crowd of about 800

high-rolling gamblers at the Golden Nugget Casino Hotel.

But Martin insisted he could have continued. "I counted one, two, three, four, five, six," Martin said. "I can count. I was all right." Muhammad, a 26-year-old American, upped his professional record to 31-2-2 and 23 knockouts. Martin, 27, a native of Antigua now living in the United States, has a 22-3 record.

Martin scored in the early rounds by punching at Muhammad's body, drawing two warnings for low blows. But by the third round, Muhammad woke up and stepped into the center of the ring, measuring Martin with long lefts. As the fight progressed, it became clear that Martin had been duped into punching himself out in the early rounds.

Although Muhammad had the advantage, he failed to score a knockout against Martin on at least four different occasions when the challenger seemed vulnerable.

By the ninth round, both fighters were exhausted, although Muhammad had the

edge with his long-range lefts. Martin made a strong showing in the 10th by pushing Muhammad around the ring with combinations to the body.

Muhammad ended the round with a straight right to Martin's chin, which staggered the challenger as he returned to his corner. As the 11th round opened, Muhammad scored with another straight right to Martin's chin, followed by another that left Martin glassy-eyed.

In Las Vegas, Roberto Duran continued his way back on the comeback trail Saturday by pouncing out a unanimous 10-round decision over a tough but outclassed Luigi Minichillo of Italy.

Duran, winning his second consecutive fight since abruptly quitting in the eighth round of his welterweight title defense against Sugar Ray Leonard last November, looked sharp against Minichillo and dominated the fight.

Duran came in at 154 (69.9 kgs) pounds, a pound less than his first comeback fight in

August when he pounded out a 10-round decision over Nino Gonzales in Cleveland. Minichillo, the European junior-middleweight champion, weighed in at 153 1/2.

Minichillo carried the fight to Duran in the early rounds, swarming over the former lightweight and welterweight champion in attempting to maul him around.

But Duran scored effectively with combinations and managed to keep Minichillo off balance with upper cuts and short left hooks. Duran began to completely dominate the bout in the fifth round when he scored at will, first with body shots and then with combinations to the head. In the sixth round, Duran stunned Minichillo several times but was unable to put his opponent down.

Duran, of Panama, ran his record to 74-2 with 55 knockouts while Minichillo, fighting in the United States for the first time dropped to 33-2 with 20 knockouts. Duran received \$75,000 for the bout, while Minichillo was paid \$15,000.



Matthew Saad Muhammad



Roberto Duran

Hatalsky regains top berth

PINEHURST, North Carolina, Sept. 27 (AP) — Longshot Morris Hatalsky, a career struggler on the pro golf tour, fired a 3-under-par 68 Saturday for a 1-stroke lead in the third round of the \$250,000 Hall of Fame Classic.

Hatalsky, a non-winner in six years of tour activity and 111th on the money-winning list this year, put together a 54-hole total of 204, 9 strokes under par on the famed No. 2 course at the Pinehurst Country Club.

"I can't explain it," said Hatalsky, who played the front side in a spectacular 31. "It's just that all parts of my game seem to be coming together right now. But there's no secret to it. I'm playing better. I feel confident out there. I feel secure out there."

"I'd love to play like that tomorrow," he said, looking ahead to Sunday's final round of the chase for a \$45,000 first prize.

While Hatalsky was establishing the surprise lead, the hopes of two of the game's more established stars, Jack Nicklaus and Ray Floyd, suffered mild setbacks.

Nicklaus, seeking to end a season-long winless string in his last start of the year, had to work hard to salvage a round of par 71 in the warm, sunny weather and slipped another stroke back at 209.

Floyd, hoping to make up ground on some absent rivals in the chase for leading money-winner and player of the year honors, could do no better than another 70 and was at

210.

Jerry Pate, the second-round leader, double bogeyed the 13th hole and had to put on a fast, birdie-birdie finish to salvage a 71 and close to within 1 stroke at 205.

"I didn't feel very well Saturday, but we're not in a position where we can say we don't want to go to work," Pate said. "I don't know what it is, flu, stomach virus, whatever." "I felt, starting out, I'd be glad to shoot par, and that's what I got. I'm glad I was able to birdie 17 and 18." Those two birdies, on putts of 15 and 10 feet, kept him close.

D.A. Wehring, with a 66 that ranked as the best round of the day, vaulted into a tie for third place at 207. Also at that figure was Tim Simpson, who matched par 71. Steve Melnyk, with a 69, and Nicklaus were next at 209.

Nicklaus got to within 2 strokes of the lead with birdies on two of the first four holes, but fell well back with a couple of bogeys and a double bogey on the 12th before he made a mild rally.

Stolle makes final

CITY OF INDUSTRY, California Sept. 27 (AP) — Fred Stolle, playing near flawless tennis, upset second-seeded Rod Laver 6-2, 7-6 on Saturday to advance to the finals of the \$33,000 Carte Blanche Tennis Legends Championship at Industry Hills.

women's title on the final day of the European Junior Field Hockey Championships here Sunday.

CANNES, (AFP) — Martial Gayant of France won the Amateur Grand Prix des Nations Cycling race here Sunday, covering the 45 kms in 1:03:44. Second place went to Claude Moreau of France, four seconds behind the winner and third place to Sean Yates of Britain, a further 16 secs back.

ATLANTA, Georgia (AP) — Tracy Austin and Mary Lou Piatek, the top two seeds, advanced to the finals of the \$75,000 Toyota Tennis Classic with straight-set victories Saturday. Austin, the U.S. Open champion defeated Laura Dupont 6-2, 6-3. Piatek defeated seventh-seeded Sue Masca- rin 6-1, 6-3.

Scanlon topples McEnroe

SAN FRANCISCO, California Sept. 27 (AP) — Fifteenth-seeded Bill Scanlon upset top-seed and defending champion John McEnroe, 3-6, 7-6, 6-2 Saturday in the quarterfinals of the Transamerica Open Tennis Championship.

Scanlon will meet Eliot Teltscher in the semifinals, who beat Tim Mayotte 6-4, 2-6, 7-6, 8-6.

McEnroe, who recently won his second consecutive U.S. Open title, complained that the playing surface was "dangerous." Throughout the match he also complained of the umpires and the spectators and appeared to ease up his play in the final set.

Scanlon's passing shots proved the difference in the final set and stopped McEnroe's 16-match winning streak.

In Geneva, Switzerland Bjorn Borg dropped one set before defeating unseeded Manuel Orantes of Spain 6-4, 0-6, 6-1 in the semifinals of the \$75,000 Martini Open

Springboks set for quiet U.S. exit

ALBANY, New York Sept. 27 (AP) — After a U.S. tour marred by protests and two destructive explosions, South Africa's controversial Springboks rugby team prepared Saturday to make a quiet departure for home.

The tour organizers refused to reveal when the rugby team would leave Albany.

Meanwhile, a group of "seven to 10" people bolted from a group of demonstrators at Kennedy Airport on Saturday night and tossed jars of acid at an airliner, hindering a police officer and hitting several people with shards of glass, police said.

The demonstrators apparently came to Kennedy to protest the departure of the Springboks, the South Africa national rugby team, but police said the team was not aboard the South Africa airlines jet that was rushed.

"There were about 60 demonstrators. They were peaceful at one point," said Lt. Bart Iannucci, a member of the police force of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates the airport.

Iannucci said "seven to 10" people rushed from the gate of the British Airways terminal toward the South Africa plane and four men and a woman were arrested.

Maree claims Avenue Mile

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (R) — Sydney Maree, a black South African now living permanently in the United States, beat many of the world's top milers Saturday to win the first Fifth Avenue Mile in near world record time.

Maree, the pre-race favorite, ran the straight mile down New York City's Fifth Avenue in three minutes, 47.52 seconds with Mike Boit of Kenya second and Thomas Wessinghage of West Germany third.

The world record of 3:47:33 stands in the name of Sebastian Coe of Britain. The race would not have counted for a record because it was not run on a track.

Other top milers in the race included Craig Mashack and Steve Scott of the United States and Steve Cram, Britain's most promising new runner. Coe and his countryman Steve Ovett were the most notable absentees.

Leann Warren of the United States won the women's event rallying in the late stages and finishing in a 4 minutes, 25.31 seconds.

Warren, in her first time ever in New York, trailed Monica Joyce and Christine Boxer of Britain, Canada's Brit McRoberts and American Joan Hansen before rushing up to the front at about the 1,500-meter mark.

Sting is NASL champion

TORONTO, Canada, Sept. 27 (AP) — Karl-Heinz Granitz and Rudy Glenn combined to give the Chicago Sting their Soccer Bowl title with a 1-0 shootout victory over the North American Soccer League defending champion Cosmos Saturday.

The Cosmos final shot in the overtime shootout, taken by Ian Ruscel, was blocked by goalkeeper Dieter Ferner, ending the match before a boisterous crowd of 36,971 at Exhibition Stadium.

When an NASL game remains tied at the end of two overtime periods, the match goes into a shootout, in which each team alternates taking shots until they have five shots apiece, and the first to reach a 2-1 advantage is given one goal and the victory.

Immediately after Ruscel's kick was caught, the crowd of largely Chicago fans spilled onto the field and made a rectangular ring around the new champions, who held the Silver Soccer Bowl Trophy high into the air.

Midway through the second 7 1/2 minute overtime period, midfielder Ingo Peter hooked a free-kick by Cosmos striker Giorgio Chinaglia, who was given the chance to score after Frantz Mathieu tackled Seninho.

Both squads, as expected, delivered a relentlessly attacking style. The Sting man-

aged to shut down Chinaglia during the 90-minute regulation game, double teaming him with Paul Hahn and the highly nimble Haitian Mathieu.

The Sting defeated the Cosmos twice this season, both times by overtime. With both teams nearly identical in style and ability, the tension rose until midway through the second half, when it boiled over into a brief scuffle.

Defender Wim Rijsbergen, tripped by the Sting's Rudy Glenn, retaliated by lifting his left knee into Glenn's groin. In a shoving match that ensued as the players converged around the pair, Cosmos midfielder Johan Neekens and Glenn, also a midfielder, were issued warning cards.

In regulation time, the Cosmos managed 12 shots and the Sting attempted eight while both goalkeepers were credited with six saves each. The Cosmos increased their attacking ability by adding Paraguayan raider Julio Cesar Romero, which took some of the pressure off a Chinaglia.

The Sting came within inches of scoring early in the second half when Peter rebounded a shot that goalkeeper Hubert Birkenmeier had deflected at the goal-line. The rebound flew past Birkenmeier, but bounced off the left post.

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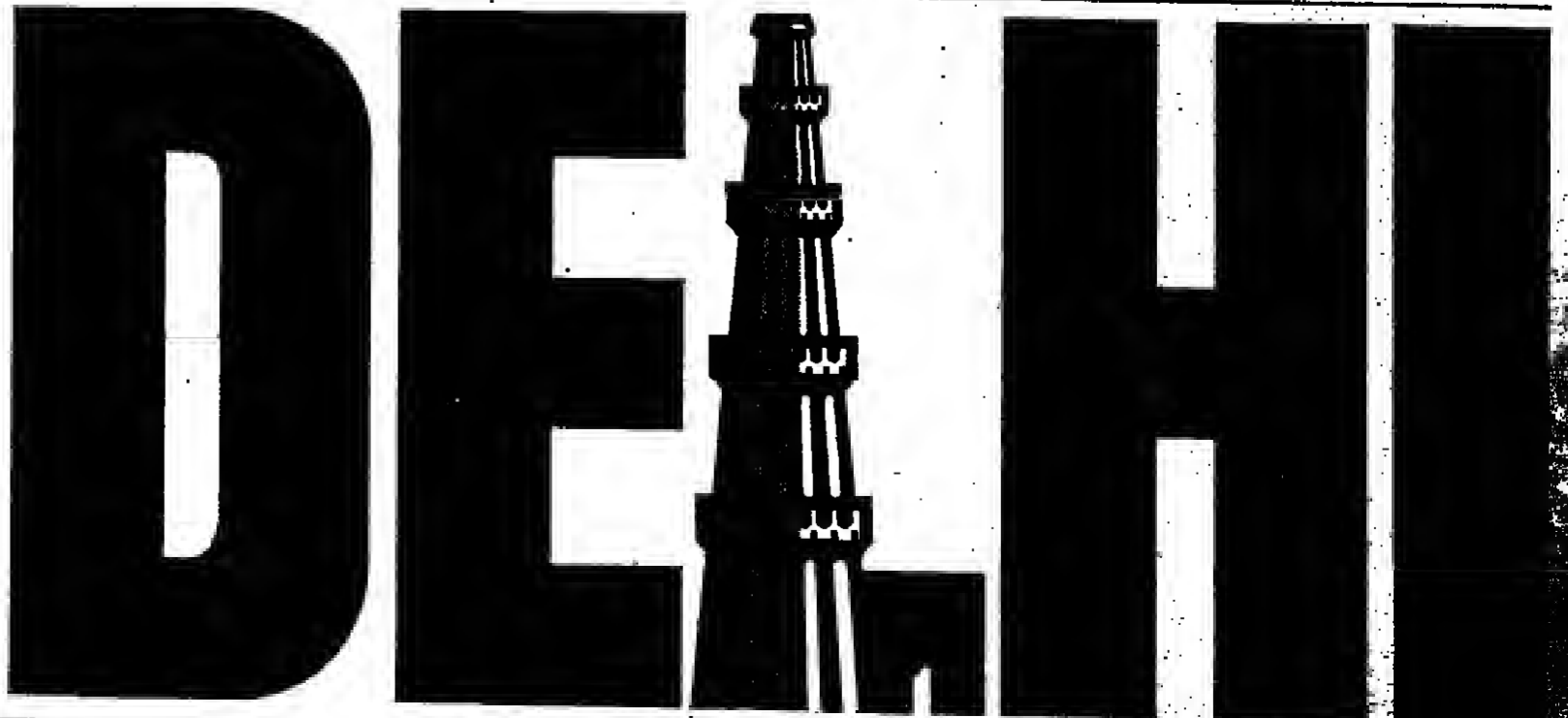
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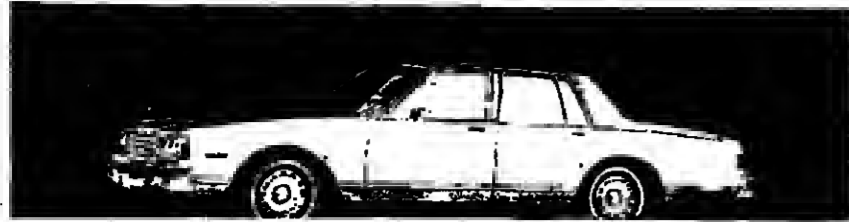
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Worker self-management

Solidarity accused of sellout

GDANSK, Poland, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — The Solidarity free trade union congress erupted into a major battle Sunday over a controversial new law on worker self-management. Delegate after delegate took the floor to attack the union's national executive for accepting a compromise bill which gave both the Communist authorities and workers a share in industrial decision-making.

The delegates, on the second day of what is expected to be a marathon two-week session, attacked the union leadership for what they described as a sellout and for taking a decision without consulting the congress.

But Solidarity leader Lech Walesa and a handful of fellow-moderates defied the new law as a legislative landmark for workers' rights in Communist East Europe. Sunday's proceedings were an electrifying spectacle of free-flowing democratic debate in what Solidarity describes as the most representative forum of the people since the Communist takeover in 1947.

The opening session Saturday had already demonstrated that the 800-odd delegates representing 9.5 million poles had lost none of their ardor despite a Soviet bloc prop-

aganda blitz against the first part of the congress held in the same modern indoor sports stadium earlier this month. Some delegates argued that much of Sunday's debate was geared more to the election of new union authorities than to the self-management law passed by the Sejm (parliament) Friday.

Amongst those who fiercely criticized the move was a delegate who said the Solidarity National Executive (KKP) had accepted the government compromise out of fear. Another delegate accused the KKP of using the same methods as the ruling Communist Party.

A Warsaw Solidarity leader, Seweryn Jarworski, said the compromise on appointing industry chiefs ultimately favored the authorities. "We wanted to break the neck of the system, but we've only managed to twist it," he told the congress.

Walesa reported: "don't think that I'm a fool. I haven't been hoodwinked... We must stop fighting with each other." The Solidarity chief said if the authorities oov tried to impose a manager in the Gdansk shipyard or any other major plant, they would be looking for trouble. "We are building the economy out for ourselves, but for Poland," Walesa

declared. Another supporter of the compromise, Krol Modzelewski, told the delegates they would be heading for open confrontation with the authorities if they voted against the new law. Warsaw delegate Jerzy Zielinski said the law was the result of the first rebellion of parliament against the Communist authorities and added: "We should therefore not stir up undue troubles over the issue." But Maciej Sewerynski, also of Warsaw, took another tack: "We must work to amend the law and reject the KKP's compromise proposal."

Andrzej Gwiazda, Solidarity's second in command, sided with the many opponents of the law, denouncing the compromise as a major political blunder. Gwiazda, was warmly applauded when he told the congress: "One of the biggest mistakes of the past half-year was that the KKP ceased to speak to the masses and began to speak only to the authorities... The union must make it clear that the new laws are only tentative."

As the debate continued, delegates approved a motion condemning the arrest of the leader of Solidarity's chapter at the Szczyglowice mines.

Poland facing bankers today

VIENNA, Sept. 27 (R) — Poland faces a task force of Western bankers in Vienna Monday for another round of talks on rescheduling about \$2.4 billion of commercial debt. The 21-member group, representing the 460 banks to which Warsaw owes money, will try to persuade Poland to accept a rescheduled proposal first put forward in Zurich in July.

But Bank Handlowy, Poland's foreign trade bank, has given two noncommittal answers to the proposal and task force members said they were not sure they would get a more concrete response this time. The talks, set to last two days, take place against a background of increasing pressure on Warsaw from East and West to get its economy back on its feet and its critics under control.

Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky told Warsaw two weeks ago that Vienna could not continue to provide credits if coal supply contracts were not kept. Polish Politburo member Stefan Olszowski warned a few days later that the Soviet Union could cut off supplies of vital raw materials if Poland did not quell its political unrest.

Western banks have offered to reschedule 95 percent of debts falling due in the last three quarters of this year. The debt would be rescheduled over seven years with an interest rate of 1 1/2 percent over the London interest rate and a service charge of one percent.

Japanese, 96, scales mount

TOKYO, Sept. 27 (AP) — A sprightly 96-year-old Teuchi Igarashi was the oldest person to climb the 3,776-meter (12,385-foot) Mount Fuji this year. Kyodo news service reported Sunday.

Kyodo, quoting a society that lists everyone over 70 who climbs Japan's sacred peak, said Igarashi has held the "Yokozuna," or grand champion position for the past five years. Igarashi hails from Fukushima prefecture (state), northern Japan.

It said the society, which it did not identify, was formed seven years ago to promote climbing among the elderly. Mount Fuji is Japan's tallest mountain. During the July-August climbing season, 616 persons — including 53 women — over age 70 scaled the steep, volcanic peak, 96 kms southwest of Tokyo. In 1980, elderly climbers totaled 731, it said.

"Yokozuna" rankings also were awarded to a 93-year-old man from Japan's ancient capital of Kyoto, a 92-year-old man from Fukunaka, southern Japan, and a 91-year-old from Hokkaido in the north. "Ozeki," or champion, ratings were given to two men aged 89 and 90. "Sekiwake" (junior champion) ratings were awarded to three men, aged 88.



Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger

NATO defenses weak, Weinberger tells allies

BONN, Sept. 27 (R) — U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger says the Soviet Union is seeking military superiority all over the world in every type of weapons.

In an interview with the West German magazine *Der Spiegel* just over nine weeks before scheduled East-West talks in Geneva on medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe, Weinberger warned that NATO defenses were dangerously weak in many areas. He warned that new Soviet SS-20 rockets aimed at Western Europe were considerably more powerful and accurate than their predecessors.

"We have already seen the fate of the unfortunate Afghans and we don't want that to be repeated in Europe," Weinberger said, in a reference to the 1979 Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. Asked if the United States was seeking military superiority over the Soviet Union, Weinberger replied: "It is the Soviet Union which is seeking to achieve superiority all over the world and in all types of weapons."

"If we do not accept the challenge from the huge expansion of the (Soviet) military machine, then it really looks bleak for peace and stability in the future," Weinberger said. "We must ensure that, if this Soviet Union founders because of its own internal contradictions, it does so with a whimper and not with a bang," he added.

Weinberger said that he was amazed that confusion arose in the West when Poland, an

Eastern bloc state, was showing the world that it recognized the major differences between East and West, and is showing which side it chose.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for defenses Fred Ikle said meanwhile in an interview that he supported the idea of the "zero option" in medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe — Soviet withdrawal of all weapons of that type aimed at Western Europe in exchange for no new NATO missiles.

Overworked and unfed

Uganda admits army unrest

KAMPALA, Sept. 27 (AFP) — Ugandan Vice President and Defense Minister Paulo Muwanga conceded at a news conference here last week: "We are having problems with the Bombo and Kampala battalions." With that he broke the official silence over recent violent incidents involving the army around the capital, and went on to make some startling admissions.

In a nutshell, he agreed during the two-hour conference that there were some soldiers in the army who did not support the 10-month-old administration of President Milton Obote. There was discipline in the army, Muwanga said, especially in the strategically placed Bombo and Kampala battalions.

He also confessed that he lacked officers to discipline the men and that troops were sometimes overworked or left unfed while on duty "due to mismanagement." According to Muwanga, the army chief himself, Brig. Olyte Ojok, was reportedly forced to hand over 5,000 shillings (\$65) to soldiers at a road block outside Kampala who apparently did not know who he was.

"I am not ready to defend indiscipline and misconduct in the army, Muwanga said, adding: "There are some very bad elements in the forces and these things will continue." Over 1,000 soldiers were behind bars for misconduct, while scores of others ranging from lieutenant-colonels downwards had been sacked from the army, Muwanga said.

But he made no promise that the large-scale military operations dreaded by the civilian population, such as those at Wakiso, Matukuta and Kawanda earlier this month following anti-government guerrilla attacks, would not be carried out in the future. The retaliatory measures in those areas, which resulted in a civilian death toll of over 70, with many wounded and much looting of homes, were carried out by the Kampala and Bombo battalions. Muwanga said he had taken the overall command of the two battalions.

Muwanga maintained that the guerrilla forces could go on hitting at government installations and carrying out assassinations, but that they could not overthrow the government. He said he had ordered the start of a crash military training program for staunch supporters of Obote's party, the Uganda Peoples Congress (UPC), three months ago, and that he could now call upon 200,000 for battle.



WAITING FOR SKYCAP: Sico the robot waits for a skycap to pick up his luggage outside the terminal at Newark International Airport recently. Sico is one of four robots, worth an estimated \$250,000 each, created by International Robotics Inc., a five-year-old New York corporation. The robot was en route to a performance before automotive executives at the Miami Convention Center.

Police official shot dead

Maze prisoner ends fast

BELFAST, Sept. 27 (AP) — Jailed hunger striker Liam McCloskey gave up his fast Saturday, British officials announced. He was the second guerrilla to quit in three days and the seventh since the strike began March 1.

McCloskey, 25, was in the 55th day of his fast at the Maze Prison. He was serving a 10-year sentence for ambushing British troops, conspiring to steal military weapons and taking part in punishment shootings.

He is a member of the Irish Republican Army splinter group, the Irish National Liberation Army. Later Saturday, an off-duty police officer was killed by two gunmen outside a bar in Killough, a coastal village 32 kms southwest of Belfast, a police spokesman said.

The killing raised the death toll from 12 years of sectarian violence in the province to 2,143. So far this year 73 persons have been slain, including 19 police officers.

Britain's Northern Ireland office said McCloskey's mother and brother were at his bedside when he decided to give up his fast.

U.K. Labor warned of poll

BRIGHTON, England, Sept. 27 (R) — Britain's opposition Labor Party prepared for a crucial leadership election Sunday night after a warning that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher might be tempted to exploit the power struggle by calling an early general election.

Delegates to the party's annual conference held last-minute discussions to decide how to vote in an electoral college ballot in which, for the first time in the party's 81-year history, trade unions and local party workers will vote. The election will decide the outcome of a three-man race for the deputy leadership that has divided Labor along sharp left and right-wing lines.

Deputy leader Denis Healey, a former chancellor of the exchequer (finance minister) and defense minister who is to the right of center in the party, is challenged by Tony Benn, a radical Socialist and a former cabinet colleague. Another former cabinet minister, John Silkin, is in the ball as a center-left compromise candidate, but political commentators give him little chance of attracting enough support to avoid elimination on the first of two ballots due at the start of the party conference.

Silkin said Saturday night that Mrs. Thatcher, whose right-wing Conservative government's anti-inflation monetarist policies are unpopular, might find it irresistible to exploit the Labor opposition's disarray by calling a snap general election. "If Labor continues to tear itself apart the temptation to call an early general election might be irresistible," he said.

Supporters said he had been blind for a week and unable to hold down water.

McCloskey, who had been given only a few more days to live, was moved to a hospital outside the Maze immediately after giving up his hunger strike, prison officials said. His mother, Philomena McCloskey, said in a statement that she had persuaded her son to give up fast.

The hunger strike was launched by IRA and INLA guerrillas in a campaign for reforms amounting to prisoner-of-war status, but the British government has refused their demands.

Mrs. McCloskey said, nevertheless, that she supported the claims of the hunger strikers, and she called on James Prior, the new British secretary of state for Northern Ireland, to begin negotiations aimed at ending the hunger protest and resolving the claims of the Republican prisoners.

McCloskey was the last INLA hunger striker. Three of the ten strikers to have died thus far belonged to the INLA. The others were members of the IRA.

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Explosive found close to Elizabeth in Australia

MELBOURNE, Sept. 27 (Agencies) — Security men Sunday found a suspicious "device" in a church across the street from where Queen Elizabeth was attending another service.

Some 200 persons were evacuated from the church after a telephone caller told police that one, and possibly two, bombs were inside. The caller said the explosives were placed in the pulpit or organ loft area of the church.

Uniting church minister, Francis Macnab, said police told him the caller said the devices "were big enough to blow up the two churches". Police with sniffer dogs and army bomb experts went to the scene as hundreds of churchgoers and spectators gathered for the queen's arrival at Scots Church.

Macnab said: "police advised us the dogs had come across a device they were particularly interested in. They insisted it had to be checked by army officials." Despite the alert, divine service at Scots Church went ahead, and none of the congregation, estimated at about 900, knew what was happening across the street.

The only change to the queen's planned movements was to detour her Rolls Royce and the official motorcade to an alternative route. The Queen is in Australia to open a Commonwealth heads of government conference in Melbourne Wednesday.

Likely bones of contention when Commonwealth leaders hold their 23rd summit conference, according to observers, include Namibia, links between industrialized countries and the Third World, and Pakistan's possible return to Commonwealth membership.

These three issues mean British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will be in Melbourne armed with some degree of circumspection, notwithstanding her friendly regard for conference chairman Malcolm Fraser, the Australian prime minister who, like Mrs. Thatcher is an advocate of free enterprise.

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Identical

Two principles of Mitterrand's approach to the Middle East problem were the assurance of the security of the state of Israel within its 1967 borders and the creation of a Palestinian homeland where a state could be developed. According to French officials, Saudi Arabian leaders have told Mitterrand that they have studied his news conference remarks with interest.

Similar sentiments were expressed in Paris on Friday by Arab League Secretary-General Cheddi Klibi of Tunisia. He said after a meeting with Mitterrand that the president's approach was also appreciated by PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

The diplomats say Saudi Arabia feels Washington is seeing the Middle East problem entirely in the context of a Soviet threat to the area, making it more difficult for Arabs to maintain a position in the center.

Abdullah

policy is based on two principles: one is purely human while the other is guided by purely economic considerations. Saudi Arabia feels the difficulties of most of the countries of the Third World; therefore it opposes a random rise in the oil prices, he added. As regards the second factor, the prince said, Saudi Arabia tries to combat inflation and urges the industrialized nations to contribute their effort in this fight. At the same time, the Kingdom does not favor taking hasty steps in finding energy alternatives other than oil, he added.

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Canada future hangs on today's constitution judgment

OTTAWA, Sept. 27 (R) — The political futures of Canada and Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau hang on a Supreme Court ruling Monday on the legality of his plan to amend and transfer the country's century-old constitution from Britain. Chief Justice Bora Laskin will pronounce the long-awaited judgment on the proposals before a national television audience in the first such public ruling in Canadian history.

Nine scarlet-robed judges of the Supreme Court have deliberated for five months on whether Trudeau's proposals for constitutional reform are legal. He wants to see Britain, the former colonial power, sent the

BNA Act before "patriating" it to Canada for good.

Trudeau, in power since 1968 with only a one-year break, sees his plan as vital to maintain a strong central government to hold together the diverse and distant provinces. He acknowledged last week that his political future hung on Monday's ruling and hinted, though apparently in jest, that he would resign if it went against him.

Despite the importance of the judgment, the 61-year-old prime minister will be in South Korea when it is delivered, making a

once-postponed visit that he felt could not be put off again. He is expected to react to the ruling Monday evening, which is Tuesday morning in Seoul, and Canadian networks are planning to beam his statement live to Canada.

The Supreme Court will rule on an appeal by Ottawa for a verdict on the legality of the Trudeau plan. This follows three earlier provincial court rulings, one of which went against him and two in his favor. If the court backs Trudeau, parliament will debate the plan, which it approved in principle last April, before sending it to Westminster.

